



## David Merrill Ekern

February 23, 1947 - March 11, 2019

David Merrill Ekern was born February 23, 1947 in Valley City to Aaron and Gloria Ekern. David was baptized and confirmed at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Kathryn. He grew up in the Kathryn area and graduated from Kathryn High School in 1965. Following his graduation, he worked for various farmers before being drafted into the Army. Upon his discharge, he lived in Valley City, ND working for Main Motors and later Farm Motors. He moved to Binford, ND and worked for Gilbertson's, Edlund Motors and later for Paintner Brothers.

David enjoyed the simple things in life; driving around and visiting with neighbors, hunting and fishing with his family, and watching a classical Western on the television.

David is survived by his daughter, Angie (Aaron) Berg, Portland, North Dakota, son, Jason (Robyn) Ekern, Shady Side, Maryland, and daughter, Michele; and brothers and sister, Gary (Donna) Ekern, Valley City, Loretta (LeRoy) Eggermont, Binford, ND, Paul (Mary) Ekern, Warren, MN, and Monte (Marion) Ekern, Kearney, NE and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and by his brother Richard.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Paul's Cemetery

Kathryn, ND

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

MAR 20. 11:00 AM (CT)

Traditions Funeral Services - Oliver Nathan Funeral Chapel  
251 Central Ave. S.  
Valley City, ND 58072  
(701) 845-2414  
o-nchapel@bektel.com

# Tribute Wall

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“ Loretta, Paul, Monte and family... I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your brother. David was a few years older than Paul and me but I do remember him.... I am praying that the good memories can bring you comfort. To think, NOW he is pain free, in the arms of Jesus...

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