



Kenneth Ray Simmons

October 6, 1956 - December 13, 2024

Kenneth Ray Simmons, 68, Valley City, North Dakota passed away at his home, Friday, December 13, 2024. A graveside service with Military Honors will be held at 12:30 pm, Wednesday, December 18 at Fairview Cemetery, Sanborn, North Dakota.

Ken was born in California on October 6, 1956, to William Lee Neal and Vallie Delphine (Komrosky) Neal. He took his stepfather Bobby Ray Simmon's name in 1959. Ken lived an adventurous life living in California, Nevada, Montana, Minnesota, Hawaii and Arizona. He finally made his home in Valley City for the last 34 years. Ken was most known in Valley City for the years he served others through Faith in Action and his several donations to Locks of Love.

Ken joined the United States Marine Corps in Minnesota at the age of 18. He attended Boot Camp at MCB Camp Pendelton, California. While in the service he trained in hand-to-hand combat battle and held the record for 10 years.

He married Sandy in Arizona and divorced after two years. Together they had one son Cody and stepdaughter Tonja.

Ken is survived by sister Jackie; brother Harry; half-sister Suzanne; sister-in-law Bev; nephews Troy, Jay, Matt, Chad, Joseph, Joshua, Jacob; niece Kayla and their families. He is also survived by special aunts and uncles Deb and

Rick, Bonnie and Terry and Stanley, close friends Herman and Bob along with many other relatives.

He is preceded in death by his mother, father and stepfather and his brothers Ronald, Daniel, Richard and sister Rebecca.

Cemetery Details

Fairview Cemetery

3400 SE 106th Ave.
Sanborn, ND

Previous Events

Graveside Service

DEC 18. 12:30 PM (CT)

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Sanborn, ND

Tribute Wall

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“ Ken Simmons came to our aid through his volunteering with Faith in Action, Inc. (2004) His willingness to reach out to assist my father by using his “red hot wheels” to take Dad where he needed to be. In 2009, he composed a beautiful poem about “Mothers” which helped to ease my pain as I lost mine. I lost touch with Ken over the many years, but thought of him often and will always treasure his efforts to “be there” for my family and so many other FIA recipients.

Shelley L Williamson - December 23, 2024 at 09:04 PM



“ I got to know Ken when he called Faith in Action many years ago and wanted to volunteer. He had such a kind heart and was always willing to help others with a ride to an appointment, grocery store, a visit, help with yard work, or whatever he could do. It brought those he served such comfort and brought joy to Ken's heart as well. My heartfelt condolences to Ken's family.

Vicki Jackson, Valley City

Vicki Jackson - December 19, 2024 at 05:04 PM

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“ I learned something new every time I saw Ken. He had a kind heart, a generous spirit, and was a wealth of knowledge and fun facts. He certainly did live an adventurous life, and I feel lucky that he shared a small part of it with me. Rest easy Ken. ❤️

Katie - December 18, 2024 at 08:25 PM

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“ *Thoughts and prayers for entire Simmons family. God Bless from the Komroskys. Lonnie, Laurie, Tanner, Ashley, Fischer, Jayden.*

Lonnie C Komrosky - December 18, 2024 at 01:16 PM