



Kenneth Burwell Willson

February 2, 1932 - August 8, 2019

Kenneth Willson, 83, Jamestown, ND, formerly Litchville, ND, passed away at home Thursday, August 8, 2019 surrounded by his family under the care of Jamestown Regional Medical Center Hospice.

Kenneth Burwell Willson was born in Valley City February 2, 1936 to JB “Duff” and Larene (Burke) Willson. He attended school in Leal, ND. Ken entered into the US Army on September 5, 1955 and was discharged July 3, 1957. On February 17, 1956 he married Marlys Linn in Hamilton, GA. Following his honorable discharge from the Army, Ken attended Moler Barber College from February 17, 1958 until graduating in the fall. They made their home in Lisbon where he operated the Lisbon Barber Shop until moving to Litchville where he owned and operated the Litchville Barber Shop. He began farming and later worked as a crop adjuster for 21 years. They retired and moved to Jamestown in 2011.

He enjoyed gardening and making candy. Marlys and Ken spent a lot of time keeping up with the grandkids’ activities. Ken also liked to play cards up town with the guys in Litchville.

Ken is survived by his wife, Marlys ; and children, Becky (Duane) Peterson, Bonnie (Nate) Monson, Tim (Pat) Willson; Jodi (Bob) Thoreson, Jill (Tim) Tangen; 10 grandchildren; and 10 great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a granddaughter, Kelci Willson; 3 great grandchildren, Christine and Jasmine Peterson and Cody Little; one brother and three sisters.

The memorial service will be 2 pm Tuesday, August 13, at the Oliver-Nathan Funeral Chapel, Valley City. Inurnment will be in Memory Gardens, Valley City. In lieu of flowers memorials may be given to JRMC Hospice.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Oliver-Nathan Funeral Chapel. An online guestbook is available at www.oliver-nathanchapel.com

Previous Events

Memorial Service

AUG 13. 2:00 PM (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



“ *Just got word of Ken’s passing. All the best to all the family, what wonderful memories of my favorite uncle! Ken*

ken willson - September 07, 2019 at 09:35 AM



“ *Marlys and Family....Thinking of you all during this difficult time as you remember your husband and father in your heart, memories of all of the family gatherings and events growing up in Litchville and all the kindness he showed to you and so many. He was always so patient and we always enjoyed our visits at our family events. Hugs and Love to you all!*

*Mike and Pam Nelson Family
Mary Ann Moderow*

Mike & Pam Nelson - August 12, 2019 at 07:58 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Kenneth Burwell Willson.*



August 12, 2019 at 06:03 PM

MP

“ *May he rest in peace. purchased the Delightful Di effenbachia for the family of Kenneth Burwell Willson.*



May he rest in peace. - August 12, 2019 at 03:26 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Kenneth Burwell Willson.*



August 12, 2019 at 12:44 PM

MP

“ *Marlys and Family, So sorry for your loss. I have many good memories of your entire family during our years in Litchville! 1968-1972, while Curt was supt. of schools. Becky and Bonnie both baby sat our boys. Thoughts hugs, and prayers to you and your family!*
Maureen Peterson

Maureen Peterson - August 12, 2019 at 11:25 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Kenneth Burwell Willson.*



August 12, 2019 at 11:06 AM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Kenneth Burwell Willson.*



August 12, 2019 at 10:58 AM



“ *Walock-Johnson Insurance, Inc. Walt&Missy &Staff purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Kenneth Burwell Willson.*



Walock-Johnson Insurance, Inc. Walt&Missy &Staff - August 12, 2019 at 10:47 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Kenneth Burwell Willson.*



August 11, 2019 at 12:06 PM