



Stephen Rittenhouse Sr.

December 30, 1962 - October 10, 2014

Stephen Marc Rittenhouse was born December 30, 1962 in Las Vegas, NV, the son of Albert and Diane (Ludden) Rittenhouse. He graduated from Mira Loma High School in Sacramento, CA in 1981.

On December 26, 1987, Steve married his high school sweetheart, Crystal Sadek. They lived in Napa Valley, CA and Valley City, ND, eventually settling in Valley City. Steve worked as a heavy equipment mechanic.

He had a love of sports. He watched baseball and football and played softball for many years. He also played pool in the Valley City league.

His life revolved around his family and friends. He loved his wife and kids, and they loved him back. Steve's main focus lately was being a grandpa. Stephen was a very kind hearted man whom would do anything for anybody and never expect anything in return. He touched many lives in the time we had with him. Stephen died at Sanford Health in Fargo on October 10, 2014 at the age of 51. He is survived by his wife, Crystal; children, Stephen Jr. (Ashley Berg), Nick, Jill (Shannon) Horst, and Adam (Jocey Haugen); and grandchildren, Brycen, Aubrey, Bentley, Rylee, Karsyn, and another grandbaby on the way all of Valley City. He also leaves behind his mother, Diane; mother-in-law, Beverly Sadek; brother, Brad (Kathy); sisters, Debra Ludden, Kim (Gordon) Burton, and Kelli Degarmo; and many nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

He was preceded in death by his father and a brother, Ronald.

The funeral service for Steve will be 1:00 PM, Wednesday, October 15, 2014 at New Life Assembly of God in Valley City.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday from 4:00 PM until 7:00 PM at the Oliver-Nathan Funeral Chapel, Valley City. A prayer service will be held there beginning at 7:00.

Oliver-Nathan Funeral Chapel has been entrusted with arrangements. An online guestbook is available at www.oliver-nathanchapel.com

Previous Events

Funeral Service

OCT **15**. 1:00 PM (CT)

New Life Assembly of God
520 Wintershow Rd
Valley City, ND

Tribute Wall

MR

“ Mom, Debbie, Kim, Kelli, Auntie Donna & Bill & Rittenhouses purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Stephen Rittenhouse Sr..



Mom, Debbie, Kim, Kelli, Auntie Donna & Bill & Rittenhouses
- October 13, 2014 at 02:14 PM

JS

“ Condolences to the family of Stephen Rittenhouse. I'll always remember Stephen Jr. playing down in Fort Yates with us and Stephen, Sr. was there also. Prayers to your family in this time of need.

Josh SE - October 13, 2014 at 01:20 PM

OL

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Oliver-Nathan - October 13, 2014 at 08:56 AM

LH

“ Lisa Hough lit a candle in memory of Stephen Rittenhouse Sr.



Lisa Hough - October 12, 2014 at 03:15 PM



“ Thank you Steve for always making me feel welcome. For always having a smile. Being the other grandma wasn't always easy but you and Crystal always made sure I felt like family. I am in awe of the love that surrounds you and I know you will be greatly missed. God always takes the good ones too early...don't know why. Maybe He needs more smiles in Heaven. We will keep Jill and the boys close to our hearts and will always be there for them. Rest easy..we will see you again someday.



Denise Jensen - October 12, 2014 at 10:34 AM

NT

“ Thank you for all the memories. Thank you for the amazing family you raised that have become like my own. I dont want you to be gone but i know you are in a better place feeling only happiness. Always in my heart.



Nicole Thoreson - October 12, 2014 at 10:21 AM

AS

“ Steve, you always treated me like I was your own. It was amazing to get to know you throughout the years. I am blessed to be able to say that you are grandpa to my kids. You will never be forgotten and we will make sure all the grandchildren will know that you were the kindest person with the biggest heart. Love you. Forever in our hearts.

Ashley - October 12, 2014 at 10:18 AM

JR

“ I Love u soooo much!! I enjoyed all the time we spent together especially lately. I'm not quite sure How I'm going to live with out you, but will have to learn.

Jill rittenhouse - October 12, 2014 at 09:01 AM

SS

*Jill,
Your daddy is a great man! His feet may stink to high heaven but he is alright! He is not in pain and is waiting for you. I will never forget him or his laugh. He is the definition of a great friend. Love ya buddy!*

Stacy Stephens - October 12, 2014 at 10:16 AM