

Do not ask me to remember,
Don't try to make me understand,
Let me rest and know you're with me,
Kiss my cheek and hold my hand.
I'm confused beyond your concept,
I am sad and sick and lost.
All I know is that I need you
To be with me at all cost.
Do not lose your patience with me,
Do not scold or curse or cry.
I can't help the way I'm acting,
Can't be different though I try.
Just remember that I need you,
That the best of me is gone,
Please don't fail to stand beside me,
Love me 'til my life is done.



In Loving Memory of

William "Bill" Charles Dahlman

1935 ~ 2024

William (Bill) Charles Dahlman, (89), of Chamberlain died October 10, 2024, due to complications of Alzheimer's.

Bill was born on August 5th 1935 in Mt Vernon SD to William Fred and Elizabeth (Drafahl) Dahlman. He went to grade school in Witten SD and High School in Winner SD graduating in 1953.

Following graduation, he worked on the family farm in Hamill SD until entering the US Army in 1956. He did basic training at Fort Chafee in Fort Smith Arkansas. He was in the 4th Field Artillery at Camp Carson CO. Since he was one of the few that could type, he worked as a Personnel Clerk. He also rode the Mule Packs from Fort Carson CO to Cheyenne WY as most people have heard his stories.

He married LaVonne Blare June 9, 1957 in Winner SD and made their home in Colorado Springs CO where he was stationed. In May of 1958 he was then stationed in Germany. In 1959 he was discharged from the Army and moved back to Chamberlain.

To this marriage five children were born. Vickie, Balinda, Shelly, Janece & Clay.

He was a member of the Zion Lutheran Church in Chamberlain.

Bill started working at McDonald Oil company, managing the Truck Arena station until it's closure. This is where he put his daughters to work at an early age teaching them a good work ethic and how to count change back to his customers!

He then started delivering propane for McDonalds & then Burke Oil company.

Bill enjoyed hunting and fishing. Him & LaVonne bowled on a mixed league for several years together and he also bowled on a men's league. They loved to go camping with family & friends, really enjoyed going to rodeos and also attended auctions.

During his retirement, he helped Burke Oil at times and also drove silage truck for the Rose Family during harvest time.

LaVonne died on February 26th, 2007

He married Elaine Engel on December 26, 2008. Him and Elaine continued to go camping and also spent time going to rodeos together. They also wintered in Texas for several years. Elaine was faithful in caring for him to the end.

Thankful for having shared his life are his wife Elaine of 15 years, daughters, Vickie (Pat) Kramp of Conde, SD, Balinda (Rod) Schmiedt of Chamberlain, Shelly (Jody) Dvorak of Hot Springs AR, Janece (Rick) Palmer of Chamberlain, step sons Todd (Lori) Engel of Chamberlain and Tory (Rebecca) Engel of Chamberlain, 13 grandchildren along with 8 step grandchildren. 22 great grandchildren along with 11 step great grandchildren. Sister in laws Delaine Ellis of Chamberlain, Lyla (Bob) Erickson of Ft Myers FL and a brother-in-law Jim (Margie) Blare of Lakeville MN, along with several nieces and nephews.

He was proceeded in death by his parents, his wife LaVonne of 49 years, 2-month-old son Clay, step son Tim Engel & his wife Shelly Engel, infant granddaughter Emmy, infant great grandson Sage, infant great grandson William, sister Delores Heying, brother-in-law Merlin Heying, nephew Steve Heying and niece Shirley Heying. Brother-in-law Marlin Ellis. Brother & Sister-in-law Roy & Carol Shrake.

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August 5, 1935 ~ October 10, 2024

Prayer Service

Zion Lutheran Church, Chamberlain, SD

7:00 p.m., Thursday, October 17, 2024

Funeral Service

Zion Lutheran Church, Chamberlain, SD

10:00 a.m., Friday, October 18, 2024

Officiating

Rev. Wade Harr

Music

Donna Knippling ~ Pianist

Amazing Grace

On Eagle's Wings

How Great Thou Art

Daddy's Hands

Casketbearers

Bryson Miller

Michael Miller

David Kramp

Clayton Waugh

Weston Waugh

Terry Shrake

Military Graveside Rites by

American Legion Potter Post No. 3

VFW Post No. 6436

Chamberlain, SD

Interment

Riverview Cemetery, Chamberlain, SD

Everyone is invited for lunch & fellowship
at the church hall following the committal services.