Just imagine. One minute, you are riding and it's a crisp October afternoon and you are going through cattle gates and down different trails. Your eyes are watering and your nose is cold and you are looking through the stands of golden larch trees and pines. The B.C. sky is blue and the sun shines off the piles of leaves collecting on the ground and you feel so at home here, with your family, on this mountain that you know all the nooks and crannies of, on this autumn day.

And then. You are flying. And the golden larch trees have turned into the golden wings of angels and you see the cattle gates are gone and now it is the gates of Heaven. And it's fall here too, in Heaven, and the trees are the most wonderful colors and the sky is blue and then you see Jesus and He is looking at you and you can see He knows all the nooks and crannies of your heart, just like you did that range back home. And then He is folding you in His arms and you have never felt so much love and safety surrounding you, here in His arms, finally Home on this mountain.
~ written by Cheyanne Bronson in the early hours of November 1st.




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Service starts at 10:20 AM on November 11, 2026
Mt. Ida Church of God in Christ Mennonite, Enderby BC

Officiants: Gary Goossen, Craig Thiessen, Kevin Reimer & Titus Mandel

Choir: Oh Beautiful Sunrise, Anchored in Love, Faithful One, I Still Trust You Lord, The One Who Knows the Stars, Arms of Love.

Introduction by Gary Goossen

Congregational song led by Anthony Thiessen

Obituary read by Uncle Blaine

Beyond These Hills

Sermon by Craig Thiessen

Go Rest High in the Mountain

Closing Prayer by Kevin Reimer

Choir: Oh What a Day, Home, Lord Walk Beside Me, Far Side Banks of Jordan, Heaven, Oh Beautiful Valley, The Golden Street Parade.

Pallbearers: Wellington Reimer, Theodore Reimer, Grayson Reimer, Landon Reimer, Kaden Carter, Shane Koehn, Drew Wiebe, Brock Wiebe, Jeremy Regehr, Lance Reimer, Erick Carter, Nolen Johnson, Gene Reimer, Kenton Regehr.

Committal by Titus Mandel

Choir: Home, Is That the Lights of Home, Go Rest High on the Mountain.

Place of Rest: Hullcar Cemetery

Kenneth John Regehr was born on March 17, 1950 in Swalwell, Alberta to Jacob and Eva and was suddenly taken on October 31, 2026. It was a sunny day on the range with the family when Dad was cruising through the golden larches and pines and God chose to take him home. It feels too soon. He was so involved in life.

Ken was the third child in a family of seven. When he was 12, the family moved from Rosebud, Alberta to Crooked Creek, Alberta. These years were filled with adventures: running a trap-line, riding horses, helping his mom cook in the bush camp and playing Monopoly by the hour on the $3.50 board he and his brothers bought.

Ken had his new birth experience when he was 14 and openly shared his testimony with the whole household. The enthusiasm was felt by everyone and he was baptized on April 19, 1964.

Two and a half years later, the family moved again, this time to Abbotsford, BC. This move brought lots of opportunity for him and his family as they got involved in poultry farming.

On March 27, 1970, Ken married Brenda Barkman. In the first few years they woke up early to grade eggs and came home late. They didn't see the sunshine, but they had each other and life was good.

In the fall of 1978, they moved to the Hullcar Valley with their two little girls and got to work. Together the four of them chased cattle, picked rocks, and drove tractor late, with the girls tucked in a corner to sleep. Farming, cattle and horses were his life-long passion. Dad pursued many different business opportunities throughout his life, but no matter what he accomplished, when asked what he did for a living his answer was, "I'm a farmer".

Over the years, two more daughters were born into the family, and their son joined them through adoption from Romania. These were busy years with the children learning about the art of farming and the art of having fun. It was important to Dad that his children and grandchildren would work on the farm to develop good work ethic. Dad had an adventurous nature that his family acquired through the quad trips, cliff jumping, trail rides, ocean experiences and cattle drives.

In 2006, they bought a house in Phoenix, Arizona, where they escaped winter to live in the purple sage. Dad loved the social life with the snowbirds and Phoenix friends; taking ATV excursions on desert trails, moonlight campfire suppers, and soaking in the sunshine.

Dad lived his faith in a quiet, practical way, deeply devoted to his church and the people in his life. He often encouraged others to "take the high road". As a young person, Dad had an experience that impacted his life. God showed him that we are like a band of soldiers, walking each other to heaven. He never wavered in encouraging us to be strong. He gave generously of himself and his resources to support the well-being of others. His earthly work is finished, but his love, faith and example will live on in the hearts of those he leaves behind.

Our hearts are broken: his wife Brenda; his daughters: Sheri & Nolen Johnson (and their children: Vanessa & Brock, Rilla, Katrina), Stacey Regehr & Erick Carter (and their children: Brooklynn & Drew, Morgan & Shane, Kaylee, Kaden, Lia), Stephanie Reimer and Reginald Reimer (and their children: Victoria, Theodore, Wellington and Kazilyn), Tasha & Lance Reimer (and their children: Landon, Blakely, Kenzie, and Grayson), his son, Jeremy Regehr; his siblings: Doug & Elaine Regehr, Wayne Giesbrecht, Ralph & Carol Regehr, Brian & Sheila Regehr, Blaine & Sandy Regehr, Karen & Dalys Thiessen; his in-laws: Burt Barkman, Dave Chernichan and Karen Ruchty; and many nieces and nephews. Those gone before: his parents Jacob & Eva Regehr, sister Gwen Giesbrecht, his parents in-law Dave & Dorothy Barkman, sister-in-law Phyllis Chernichan, sister-in-law Yvonne Barkman, and brother in-law Bob Barkman.