



**Ronald Eugene Rossow** was born on October 29, 1940, to Ernest and Leah (Schmidt) Rossow at Eureka, South Dakota. Ronald attended Herreid High School. Ronald joined the U.S. Army in February, 1959. He was honorable discharged November, 1960.

On April 27, 1959 he married Donna Berndt in Herreid. They returned home to Herreid upon his discharge from the Army. They remained in Herreid until 1961, when they moved to the farm where they lived until his passing.

Ronald enjoyed raising and riding horses. They raised colts every year for the past forty years. The last colts were born in 2020.

Ronald was a lifetime member of the American Quarter Horse Association, past member of the Herreid Jaycees, and he also enjoyed attending auction sales.

He is survived by his wife Donna of 62 years, children: Colleen (Dale) Rueb, Herreid, SD; Carmen (Wayne) Jankord, Castlewood, SD; Kevin (Jody) Rossow, Glenwood City, WI; Kim (Julie) Rossow, Herreid, SD; Kay (Dan) Whaley, Houlton, WI; Carin (Tim) Schmitz, Milbank, SD; Kyle Rossow, Herreid, SD; 23 grandchildren, 25 great-grandchildren and 2 great-great-grandchildren; sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law: Judy (Archie) Doering, Marjorie (Ken) Pudwill, Joy (Jim) Goehring, Steve (Wanda) Berndt, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Preceded in death by son, Kendall (Ben) in 2011, parents Ernest in 1989 and Leah in 2000; father-in-law Labolt Berndt, 1993, and mother-in-law Martha Berndt 2018; sister and broth-

## In Loving Memory of:



***Ronald Rossow***

***October 29, 1940 ~ September 26, 2021***





**IN LOVING MEMORY OF:**  
**Ronald Rossow**

*80 Years ~ 10 Months ~ 28 Days*

**BORN:** *October 29, 1940*  
*Eureka, South Dakota*

**PASSED AWAY:** *September 26, 2021*  
*Eureka, South Dakota*

**FUNERAL SERVICES:**  
*10:30 AM, Friday, October 1, 2021*  
*Herreid Baptist Church*  
*Herreid, South Dakota*

**CLERGY:** *Pastor Don Hill*  
**PIANIST:** *Debbie Wherry*

**CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS:**  
*“Just As I Am” ~ “In The Garden”*  
*“Beyond The Sunset” ~ “Abide With Me”*

**USHERS:**  
*Keith Fjeldheim ~ Tim Rossow*

**CASKETBEARERS:**  
**GRANDSONS:**  
*Jesse Rueb ~ Tyler Jankord ~ Brady Whaley*  
**NEPHEWS:**  
*Doug Vojta ~ Larry Rossow ~ Dwight Rossow*  
*Eric Rossow ~ Roger Rossow*

**HONORARY BEARERS:**  
*All Ronnie’s Grand Children, Great– Grandchildren*  
*And many friends.*

**BURIAL:**

**Not, How Did He Die,  
But How Did He Live?**

Not how did he die, but how did he live?  
Not what did he gain,  
but what did he give?  
These are the units to measure the worth  
Of a man as man, regardless of birth.  
Not what was his church,  
nor what was his creed?  
But had he befriended those  
really in need?  
Was he ever ready,  
with word of good cheer.  
To bring back a smile, to banish a tear?  
Not what did the sketch in the  
newspaper say,  
But how many were sorry when he