

***If Tears Could Build a Stairway***

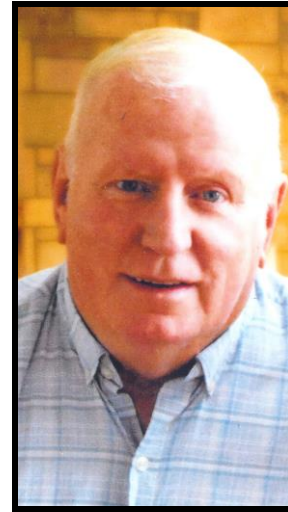
*If tears could build a stairway  
And memories were a lane  
We would walk right up to heaven  
And bring you back again.*

*No farewell words were spoken  
No time to say goodbye  
You were gone before we knew it  
And only God knows why*

*Our hearts still ache in sadness  
And secret tears still flow  
What it meant to lose you  
No one can ever know*

*But now we know you want us  
To mourn for you no more  
To remember all the happy times  
Life still has much in store*

*Since you'll never be forgotten  
We pledge to you today  
A hallowed place within our hearts  
Is where you'll always stay*



*In Loving Memory of*

**David Merlin Clutter**

*April 22, 1951 ~ December 4, 2021*

**Family Memorial Services**

*Hickey Funeral Chapel, Chamberlain, SD  
3:00 p.m., Friday, December 10, 2021*

**Officiating**

*Rev. Robert Hinckley*

**Music**

*Amazing Grace    Over The Rainbow    In the Garden*

**Interment of Ashes**

*Pukwana Cemetery, Pukwana, SD  
At A Later Date*

*Everyone is invited for refreshments & fellowship at  
the Pukwana Community Center in Pukwana following  
the memorial services.*

*Arrangements By: Hickey Funeral Home, Chamberlain, SD*

David Merlin Clutter was born in Mitchell, SD on April 22, 1951, the youngest of four children, to Wilbur and Mamie (Somers) Clutter.

Two previous marriages resulted in four daughters Michelle, Nichole, Joleen, and Christie.

David lived most of his life in Pukwana and worked at various places in the area. You may remember seeing him at the Pukwana Co-Op, Brule County Jail working as a jailor, or in the housekeeping department at Sanford Medical Center.

David enjoyed hunting, fishing, and playing cards. He was always listening to country music, his favorite being Reba McEntire.

David passed away on December 4, 2021 at Aurora Brule Nursing Home in White Lake, SD at the age of 70 years.

David is survived by his wife Deborah (Tudor) Clutter whom he had two stepsons Kenny and Kevin Tudor; four daughters Michelle Rassin, Nichole Gossman, Joleen DeSoto, and Christie Clutter; several grandchildren and great grandchildren; sisters Aileen Priebe and Wilda Myers; brother-in-law Lowell Myers; sister-in-law Linda Clutter; and many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

