



Stephen L. Kenoyer passed away at his home on January 17, 2026.

Stephen was born August 7, 1938, in Hot Springs, SD, to Claris and Helen (Rickenbach) Kenoyer. Stephen lived in Oelrichs, SD, for his first four years. His family moved near Los Angeles, CA, during World War II. His father worked in an aircraft factory there and later in Wichita, KS. After the war, his family moved to a farm 18 miles east of Sturgis, SD. In his fourth grade year they moved to a different farm, which was 5 miles east of Sturgis, SD.

After graduating from high school, Steve lived near San Diego, CA for about three years working in an aircraft factory. He moved back to Sturgis, SD, where he was employed as a policeman for the City of Sturgis. He was drafted into the Army in 1961 and stationed at Ft. Hood, TX.

He was united in marriage to Anna Koski on June 19, 1965 in Sturgis, SD. He was hired as a South Dakota Highway Patrolman that same year. He was stationed in Howard, SD, for four years and later in Wall, SD.



After retirement in 1983, he worked for Dave Hahn in Wall, South Dakota, later working many years at a gold processing company in Rapid City, South Dakota. In January 1990, Stephen and Anna moved to their present home west of Rapid City, SD.

Stephen is survived by his wife, Anna; children, Daniel (Lori) Kenoyer of Belle Fourche, SD, Mary (Keith) Smith of Lake Norden, SD, Katrina (Andy) Johnston of Yacolt, WA, Sonja (Dan) Massie Yacolt, WA; along with 28 grandchildren and many great-grandchildren. He is survived by one brother, Donald of Bellefontaine, OH.

Stephen was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, Robert and Clifford; grandson, Spencer Johnston; and one great-grandson, Harlyn Smith.

Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.kinkadefunerals.com](http://www.kinkadefunerals.com).

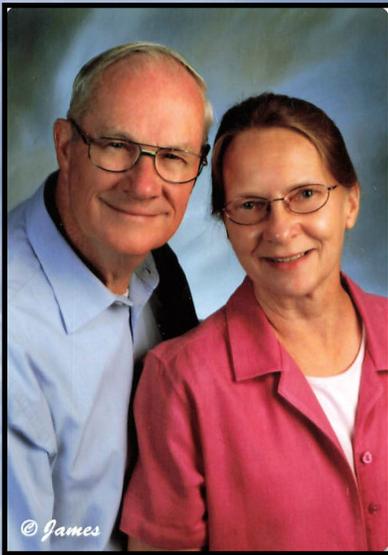
*The family invites you to join them for fellowship and a meal  
at the church, following the service.  
Thank you for your presence and condolences.*

# In Loving Memory



**Stephen Lee Kenoyer**

August 7, 1938 ~ January 17, 2026



*In Loving Memory Of*  
**Stephen Lee Kenoyer**

*Date of Birth*  
August 7, 1938  
Hot Springs, SD

*Date of Death*  
January 17, 2026  
Rapid City, SD

*Funeral Service*

Friday, January 23, 2026, 10:30 a.m.  
Hills View Evangelical Free Church  
Piedmont, South Dakota

*Officiant*

Reverend Ron McLaughlin

*Musical Selections*

“How Great Thou Art” “Amazing Grace”  
“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”  
“Beyond the Sunset”

*Military Honors*

SD Army National Guard  
South Dakota Highway Patrol

*Pallbearers*

His Grandsons

*Final Resting Place*

Black Hills National Cemetery  
Sturgis, South Dakota

***THE LORD'S PRAYER***

*Our Father, which art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done, in earth  
as it is in heaven.*

*Give us this day our daily bread;  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
As we forgive those Who trespass against us;  
And lead us not into temptation,  
But deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
And the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever.*

*Amen*