



**Kenneth "Red" George Utter**, age 82, formerly of McIntosh, SD, took his last fishing trip on December 3, 2021.

Red was born to Ernest and Christine (Moser) Utter in McIntosh SD on October 19, 1939. He was baptized at St. Paul Lutheran Church in McIntosh on July 14, 1940.

Red graduated from McIntosh High School May 21, 1958. While in school Red participated in football, basketball, and track, lettering in several sports. After high school, Red worked for several local businesses and

farmers/ranchers.

In February 1961, Red got his diploma in Fundamentals of Electronics from Devry Technical Institute. The following year he received an additional certification in Television and Radio Services from Devry. Red opened his own business, Ken's TV repair, in McIntosh which he operated for several years.

In 1968, Red started driving buses for McIntosh School, a job which he enjoyed for the next 4 years. In 1972, Red became Custodian / Janitor of McIntosh School until his retirement in June of 2005. In his spare time Red helped many family members build and remodel their homes as well as rental properties. After his retirement, Red moved to Mobridge SD where he enjoyed many years of hunting, fishing, and fish fries with family and friends.

The highlights of Red's life were the times he spent with family enjoying the outdoors. Whether it was hunting and fishing or picking potatoes with his brothers or playing cards in his younger days, Red enjoyed time with his family.

Red will be remembered for his "friendly" banter/discussions with family (we all had them) and his honest advice.

Red is survived by his sister in law, Deloris Utter, 25 nieces/nephews and their families, as well as numerous cousins, extended family members and friends.

Red is preceded in death by his parents (Ernest and Christine), his 6 brothers and 5 sister in laws (Hugh/Mary, Vernon/Lois, Robert "Bob"/Mary, Lynn "Luke"/Lela, David/Alyce, and Miles), 2 sisters and 2 brother in laws (Doris "Dorill", Madeline "Moss"/Henk Dignud and George Morton

## *In Loving Memory of:*



## *Kenneth "Red" Utter*

*October 19, 1939 ~ December 3, 2021*

IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

# *Kenneth “Red” Utter*

*82 Years ~ 1 Month ~ 15 Days*

**BORN:**

*October 19, 1939*

*McIntosh, South Dakota*

**PASSED AWAY:**

*December 3, 2021*

*Bismarck, North Dakota*

**FUNERAL SERVICES:**

*11:00 AM, Saturday, December 11, 2021*

*First Presbyterian Church*

*McIntosh, South Dakota*

**CLERGY:**

*Rev. Keith Kraft*

**ORGANIST:**

*Deb Trullinger*

**SPECIAL MUSIC:**

*Keith Gall*

*“Amazing Grace”*

**SPECIAL RECORDING:**

*Garth Brooks ~ “The River”*

**CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS:**

*“Old Rugged Cross” ~ “Shall We Gather At The River”*

**USHERS:**

*Jay Utter ~ Kip Utter*

**CASKETBEARERS:**

*Bryon Utter ~ Kurt Utter ~ Andrew Utter  
Wayne Dishrud ~ Dwight Utter ~ Jim Miller*

**HONORARY CASKETBEARERS:**

*All Red’s Family & Friends*



## **God Saw You Getting Tired**

*God saw you getting tired,  
When a cure was not to be.*

*So He wrapped his arms around you,  
and whispered, “Come to me.”*

*You didn't deserve what you went through,  
So He gave you rest.*

*God's garden must be beautiful,  
He only takes the best*

*And when I saw you sleeping,  
So peaceful and free from pain  
I could not wish you back  
To suffer that again.*