

Ronald George Reiff was born on July, 4, 1941 in Chester, SD and was the first of four sons born to George and Veronica Reiff. Ron graduated from St. Mary's High School in 1959. After high school, Ron enlisted in the US Navy and US Army Reserves. Upon returning to Dell Rapids, Ron married his high school sweetheart, Judie on June 24, 1961. Ron and Judie made their home in Dell Rapids, where Ron began his business career working for Bunker's Oil Co., later purchasing the

business from his uncle. Ron was involved with the Dell Rapids community, serving in numerous ways - the volunteer fire department for over 30 years, the Dell Rapids Lumberyard Board, a member of the Jaycees and the Catholic Order of Foresters, and was an active member of St Mary's Parish. Ron was known for his gift of gab, able to talk to anyone about their family, farm and events happening around the area. His sharp mind and ability to engage with anyone continued throughout his life. His love for sports was evident when he shared the fond memory of his high school basketball team winning the Little Four Tournament, his love of watching his children and grandchildren participate in sporting events, and his enthusiasm for the Minnesota Vikings. Ron spent his leisure time golfing, pheasant hunting and fishing.

Ron was very much a family man, purchasing The Huddle in 1976 and involving the entire family in the restaurant operations. Annual family trips to the chain of lakes near Alexandria, MN was the site for fishing, water skiing and campfire stories. Judie passed away on September 29, 1998. Ron left a legacy of family, including four children, 14 grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren with a 15th expected very soon. Ron is survived by Greg (Lorna) of Dell Rapids, Brian (Teri) of Des Moines, IA, Jeannine Park (Mike) of Dell Rapids, and Ronda Golden (Joe Jr.) of Dell Rapids; his three brothers, Tom (Jeanne) Reiff, Bob (Diane) Reiff and Jim (Karen) Reiff all of Brant Lake City, SD and his many friends and extended family.

In Memory of

Ronald G. Reiff

Born - July 4, 1941 ~ Died - January 24, 2020

Christian Wake Service

St. Mary Catholic Church Dell Rapids, South Dakota Tuesday, January 28, 2020 ~ 7:00 p.m. Catholic Order of Foresters Rosary to follow

Mass of Christian Burial

St. Mary Catholic Church Dell Rapids, South Dakota Wednesday, January 29, 2020 ~ 10:30 a.m.

Celebrant

Father John Lantsberger

Casketbearers

Dustin Reiff Riley Park
Brendon Reiff Levi Reiff
Joe Golden III Logan Reiff
Taylor Golden Carson Park

Payton Park

Interment with Military Rites

Dell Rapids American Legion Post St. Mary Cemetery Dell Rapids, South Dakota

Funeral Arrangements by Kahler-Brende Funeral Home



On behalf of the family, we'd like to express our sincerest gratitude for the kind expressions of sympathy and support during this difficult time. Please join us in the parish hall following the funeral mass to share your memories and a meal.

Did you ever hear Ron say.....?

"I didn't go to college"

"I probably talk too much"

"My brother Tom, my brother Bob, my brother fim"

"Oh, the hell..."

"The whole famdamly"

"Order what you want, eat what you order"

"Better than a poke in the eye with a sharp stick"

"I probably shouldn't tell you this, but..."

"I'm still above the dirt. Kahler ain't got me yet"