William Degen

Aug 10, 1937 – Aug. 20, 2020



~Graveside Service~

12:00 PM Thursday, Sept. 3, 2020 ND Veteran's Cemetery Mandan, North Dakota



William Degen, 83, Jamestown, ND died Sunday morning August 30, 2020 at his home in Jamestown.

Bill was born August 10, 1937 in Jamestown, ND to Louis and Mabel 'Norris' Degen. He grew to manhood in Jamestown and attended school here until he was 16. His family then moved to California where he graduated from High School.

He entered the US Army in December of 1960 and was honorably discharged in November of 1962. He continued to reside in California where he was an engineer for GTE California Inc. Bill was able to retire when he was 55.

He and Nellie were married February 14, 1996, they made their home in Jamestown. They enjoyed many years of traveling to many states and countless adventures. Bill loved to bowl and fish. He completed the crossword puzzle in the newspaper every day; he enjoyed Louis L'Amour books, western movies and the occasional Dos Equis beer. He was a member of the Vet's Club and the American Legion.

Bill is survived by his wife; son Juan (Shannon) Thomas, Loncoln, ND; 2 grandchildren, Lily and Zane Thomas; 2 sisters, Marian Roemmich, Spiritwood, ND and Marge Kuener, ID.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his first wife, Barbara; 1 sister, Kathleen and 1 brother, James.

