

John William O'Grady

John was born in Sturgis, SD, June 30, 1962, to William and Ella Jane (Alexander) O'Grady. John attended grade school at the Plainview School, St. Francis, and Metishigoshe School. He went to high school at St. Martin's Academy, Rapid City, SD, and graduated in 1980. He was a longtime rancher until health concerns caused him to retire in 2012.

John was always a good neighbor, lived his Faith, and was a generous supporter of his church and community. He was a life-member of Our Lady of Victory near Howes. He enjoyed bargain hunting and sharing his treasures. In later years, the KBHB radio auction was a Saturday morning staple. John was also very active on a couple agricultural message boards and will be missed by online friends from across the United States. They recognized his wisdom, humor and passion for ranch life.

In later years, it was harder for John to work but he still maintained the local cemetery and community hall grounds. That service gave him great pleasure.

John William O'Grady, 54, longtime resident of rural Meade county, died Friday June 9, 2017, at the Black Hills Care and Rehab Center in Rapid City, SD.

He is survived by his sister, Lucille; two aunts and two uncles; and numerous generations of cousins. John loved his family and friends.

John was preceded in death by his parents; infant brother, James Robert; maternal and paternal grandparents; and several aunts and uncles.

A memorial has been established to the Enning Ambulance Service and Fire Department.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.kinkadefunerals.com.

In Loving Memory Of



John William O'Grady

1962 ~ 2017

The family would like to invite you to join them for fellowship and lunch following the committal service in the church hall. We thank you for your presence and condolences.





GOD SAW

*God saw he was getting tired
and a cure was not to be
So He put His arms around him
And whispered "come to Me."
With tearful eyes we watched him suffer
And saw him fade away
Although we loved him dearly
We could not make him stay.
A golden heart stopped beating
Hardworking hands to rest
God broke our hearts to prove to us
He takes the very best.*

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Born

June 30, 1962
Sturgis, South Dakota

Died

June 9, 2017
Rapid City, South Dakota

Vigil

Tuesday, June 13, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.
Kinkade Funeral Chapel
Sturgis, South Dakota

Mass of Christian Burial

Wednesday, June 14, 2017, at 10:00 a.m.
St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church
Sturgis, South Dakota

Celebrant - Father Timothy Castor

Con Celebrant - Father James Hoerter

Pianist

Dr. Barry Furze

Cantors

Cheyenne Cody Teresa Hanzlik

Musical Selections

"Be Not Afraid" "Prayer of St. Francis"
"Taste and See" "The Old Rugged Cross" "On Eagle's Wings"

Pallbearers

Dale Heaton ~ Brad Austin ~ Lynn Tarrant
Greg Loen ~ Jim O'Dea ~ Wayne Mickelson

Honorary Pallbearers

Jerry Austin ~ Robert Compton ~ Allen Waterland
Cory Cody ~ Dwight Winn
Friends, Family and Neighbors

Interment

St. Aloysius Catholic Cemetery
Sturgis, South Dakota