



## Gene Harvey Hafla

August 23, 1950 - January 24, 2024

Gene Harvey Hafla, 73, of Glendive, MT, passed away on Wednesday, January 24, 2024, at Glendive Medical Center surrounded by family. A celebration of life service will be held at 10:00 am, Monday, January 29th with a visitation beginning at 9:00 am at Silha Funeral Home in Glendive, MT. The burial will follow immediately after in Dawson Memorial Cemetery and then a luncheon at Silha Tribute Center. Everyone is welcome!

Gene was born August 23, 1950, to Anton and Lydia (Erlenbusch) Hafla. He graduated from Garfield County High School in 1968 and then attended Miles Community College. On April 20, 1974 he married Nancy Corneliusen in Terry, Montana and later they had three perfect daughters Gena Anderson, Cris Fornall, and Karla Aldinger. Gene was a hard worker who was able to be self-employed by starting Hafla backhoe and trenching. He enjoyed working sunup to sundown for numerous farmers and ranchers in the surrounding areas, and only retired a few years prior to his passing. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, gardening, telling jokes, long stories, and spending time with his children and grandchildren.

Gene is survived by his wife Nancy, three daughters Gena (James) of Rosemount, MN, Cris (Scott) of Glendive, and Karla (Eric) of Bismarck, ND and six grandchildren, Tori, Kaidyn, Branson, Kaiya, Braylon, and Kellen. He was preceded in death by his parents, Anton and Lydia, and his brother Marvin. Gene and Nancy were three months shy of celebrating their 50th anniversary.

Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at: [www.Silhafuneralhomes.com](http://www.Silhafuneralhomes.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Dawson Memorial Cemetery

2816 West Towne Street  
Glendive, MT 59330

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN **29**. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (MT)

Silha Funeral Home  
221 North Meade Avenue  
Glendive, MT 59330

## Funeral Service

JAN **29**. 10:00 AM (MT)

Silha Funeral Homes - Glendive, Montana  
221 N. Meade Avenue  
P.O. Box 848  
Glendive, MT 59330  
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# Tribute Wall

DB

“ *My condolences to the family and friends of Gene Hafla. So sorry Cris I just read it in my newspaper. Hugs to everyone.*



Denise Borotrager - February 01, 2024 at 08:35 PM

SB

“ *Stacey B lit a candle in memory of Gene Hafla*



Stacey B - January 29, 2024 at 10:12 PM

BT

“ *Nancy and Family I'm so sorry to hear about Gene. Cherish your Memories!*  
*Becky Tipton*

Becky Tipton - January 28, 2024 at 08:07 PM

NK

“ *I am sorry to hear of his passing away. He could tell some long stories. My sympathy goes out to you! I am glad you have those memories and the laughs together.*



NANCY KORB - January 28, 2024 at 05:20 PM

BJ

“ Nancy, Gena, Chris and Karla you have all touched our lives through the years. We are so sorry for your loss. Hold onto those special memories that you have. They will help you through this.



Bob and Dixie Justice - January 27, 2024 at 04:25 PM

DM

“ Condolences to all of Gene’s family. I know he will be missed terribly by Nancy and his daughters and their families💔💔

Debbie and Greg McGovern - January 27, 2024 at 04:19 PM

GK

“ Grace Koffler lit a candle in memory of Gene Hafla



Grace Koffler - January 26, 2024 at 04:51 PM



“ Andeen Raymond lit a candle in memory of Gene Hafla



Andeen Raymond - January 26, 2024 at 03:54 PM

CP

“ *Cris & family, condolences to all of you! Cherish all the many fun memories.*

Cherise Patterson - January 26, 2024 at 02:30 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Gene Harvey Hafla.*



January 26, 2024 at 02:29 PM

DS

“ *My deepest sympathies. Gene was always ready to help us when we needed his talents.*

Darlene L Strobel - January 26, 2024 at 09:55 AM

SK

“ *Nancy, please know my heart and thoughts are with you as you and your family say goodbye to Gene. You have a lovely family that will support and love you. God Bless. 🌸*

Sheila Kunick - January 26, 2024 at 08:52 AM

SB

“ *So sorry for you loss! Hafla family you are in my prayers. If there anything you need Nancy, I will be there.*



Sharon Bain - January 25, 2024 at 05:36 PM

PZ

“ Nancy and family, so sorry to hear about Gene. I saw him last fall and had a nice visit with him. May God grant you strength and comfort to help you through the difficult days ahead. Hugs!



Penny Zimmerman - January 25, 2024 at 01:28 PM

JK

Nancy I'm so sorry for your loss. My prayers and condolences

Jan Kruger - January 25, 2024 at 04:58 PM



So sorry for your loss Nancy. May your memories of happier days help keep Gene close to your heart always. Hugs old friend.

Andeen Raymond - January 26, 2024 at 03:54 PM

CS

“ Cheryl Smutt lit a candle in memory of Gene Hafla



Cheryl Smutt - January 25, 2024 at 12:45 PM

MM

“ Marla McCormick lit a candle in memory of Gene Hafla



Marla McCormick - January 25, 2024 at 11:46 AM