



Gerald Gene Deines

January 7, 1952 - June 21, 2023

Gerald "JD" Deines passed away June 21, 2023 beside the love of his life, Vickie Harris, after tenaciously fighting a battle against an incurable disease for the past 8 years. A feat only possible by the most admirable of men. Gerald Gene Deines was born January 7, 1951 in Glendive, Montana. He was raised with his six siblings on the family farm and ranch by loving parents Melvin and Ernestine Deines. After graduating from Dawson County High School in 1969, his strong determination, talent, and brilliance led to an offer for a full ride scholarship playing football for Montana Tech in Butte, Montana. However, in a decision to put his family first he left college to work on the family ranch before being drafted to the Vietnam war on May 17, 1971. After an honorable discharge, he started the first of many successful businesses. In pursuit of optimizing his farming and ranching career he obtained his private pilot license and discovered a new passion, all while managing multiple farming operations.

Despite being a renown cattle buyer, JD desired more. He became a successful real estate agent, and later a managing broker of his own real estate company. In continuing his aggressive ambitions, he also graduated from the National Academy of Railroad Sciences in Overland Park, Kansas at the top of his class.

Although his accomplishments were numerous, nothing made him prouder than his four children and two grandchildren. As the most devoted father and grandfather, he was an unmatched role model. His optimistic outlook and witty

nature constantly made everyone laugh regardless of circumstances. No one understood this better than his beloved sweetheart, Vickie. Vickie profoundly cherished their memories and his stories, especially those boasting about his children and grandchildren on repeat. Having a love most can only dream of, they spent their time laughing, dancing, and adoring one another.

JD was preceded in death by his parents, Melvin and Ernestine Deines; and brother Bob Deines. He is survived by his four children, Jodi (Shayn) Freudenwald, Jeff Deines, Jennifer (Jacob) Cole and Shantel Deines; two grandchildren Madisyn and Jadyn Freudenwald; sisters Linda Deines, Connie Jackson and Colleen Weatherford; brothers, Melvin Deines, Jr. and Victor Deines.

Visitation will be from 12:00 PM until 1:00 PM with a funeral service beginning at 1:00 PM on Saturday, July 1, 2023 at the Silha funeral Home in Glendive with Pastor Tim Tharp officiating. Interment will be in the Dawson Memorial Cemetery. Silha Funeral Home of Glendive, Montana has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Remembrances and condolences can be shared with the family at: www.silhafuneralhomes.com.

Cemetery Details

Dawson Memorial Cemetery

2816 West Towne Street
Glendive, MT 59330

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 1. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (MT)

Silha Funeral Homes - Glendive, Montana
221 N. Meade Avenue
P.O. Box 848
Glendive, MT 59330
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silha@midrivers.com
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Funeral Service

JUL 1. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (MT)

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Tribute Wall

DB

“ *My condolences to the family and friends of Gerald Gene Deines at this difficult time. Prayers to all.*



Denise Borotrager - July 01, 2023 at 10:51 AM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Gerald Gene Deines.*

June 29, 2023 at 04:36 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Gerald Gene Deines.*



June 29, 2023 at 04:36 PM

MG

“ *Marlene Gehnert lit a candle in memory of Gerald Deines*



Marlene Gehnert - June 27, 2023 at 11:23 PM

AH

“ Jodi, I'm so sorry to hear you lost your dad. I lost my dad about a year ago. I am thinking of you and praying that you find comfort in your memories. Please accept my heartfelt sympathies. Amy (Huncovsky) Hopfauf

amy hopfauf - June 27, 2023 at 10:16 PM

KF

“ Kay Schock & Family purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Gerald Gene Deines.



Kay Schock & Family - June 27, 2023 at 06:30 PM

JF

“ Jack and Colleen and family purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Gerald Gene Deines.



Jack and Colleen and family - June 27, 2023 at 03:52 PM

JF

“ Jim & Caron Svendsen, Charlene & Family, Jimmy & Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gerald Gene Deines.

Jim & Caron Svendsen, Charlene & Family, Jimmy & Family - June 27, 2023 at 10:03 AM

JJ

“ *jane jarvis lit a candle in memory of Gerald Deines*



jane jarvis - June 26, 2023 at 11:16 PM

GM

“ *RIP, "Cowboy" - May Frank Mills' "Music Box Dancer" carry you with ease and grace into life-everlasting. I smile when I hear that music and remember the story of how it made a difference in your life. I see you grinning from ear-to-ear and flying on high, carefree as an eagle. Blessed are those who connect in friendship - 'tis richness beyond measure ✨*



Gayla Meredith - June 26, 2023 at 10:24 PM

DC

“ *Diane Crockett sent a virtual gift in memory of Gerald Deines*



Diane Kolstad Crockett - June 26, 2023 at 03:31 PM

KS

“ *Many fond memories of our high school years.*



Karen Shanley - June 24, 2023 at 11:31 PM

JS

“ R.I.P



James T Schock - June 23, 2023 at 11:40 AM

D1

“ DCHS of 1969 lit a candle in memory of Gerald Deines



DCHS Class of 1969 - June 23, 2023 at 12:40 AM

GD

“ Gary Deines lit a candle in memory of Gerald Deines



Gary Deines - June 22, 2023 at 09:58 PM

NK

“ NANCY KORB lit a candle in memory of Gerald Deines



NANCY KORB - June 22, 2023 at 07:06 PM