



Harold Richard Heafield

December 10, 1944 - May 9, 2026

Harold Richard Heafield, age 81 of Glendive, Montana passed away on Saturday, May 9, 2026, at the Glendive Medical Center in Glendive. A Memorial Service will be held at 11 AM, Saturday, June 20, 2026, at the First Congregational Church in Glendive with Brother Guy Pontoriero and Rev. Susan Heafield as co-officiants. Silha Funeral Home of Glendive has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Harold was born on December 10, 1944, in San Diego, CA, to Gordon and Norma Agnes (Dahl) Heafield. Around the age of two, Harold moved with his family to Appham, ND and then to Lindsay, MT. He attended grade school in Lindsay and went on to graduate from Dawson County High School with the Class of 1963.

Harold was introduced to the Love of his Life Renasu (Pettersen) and they were united in marriage on January 22, 1966 in Glendive. To this union, two children were born, Scott and Sonya, who became the center of Harold's life. Harold and Renasu worked together to build a house on a small piece of the Pettersen Ranch on Deer Creek Road and to raise their family.

As a young man, Harold enjoyed working on and drag racing his beloved 1955 Chevy. That adventurous spirit followed him throughout his life and into the outdoors, where he became a lifelong hunter and fisherman. Harold

treasured elk and deer hunting trips in Hamilton, Deer Lodge, and Volborg, MT, with his friends and family. Some of Harold's fondest memories were spent with his son Scott fishing and hunting. Many of Harold's adventures were spent alongside his "partner in crime" Gordy Schmit. Family camping trips and reunions were among the highlights of his life, and he looked forward to them every year.

Among a number of talents Harold possessed, he was known for his woodworking. Throughout the years Harold loved creating and gifting his treasures to family and friends. There wasn't anything he could not make. His daughter Sonya loved watching him make "something out of nothing".

One of Harold's proudest traditions began when he was just 14 years old and continued until he was 80, helping on the Downs' family farm near Lindsay. Time in the John Deere combines became one of the top priorities of the year, and he was proud to say that he never missed a harvest.

Throughout his working years, Harold was known as a dependable and hardworking man. He worked at Anderson's Department Store, with Norman Kellogg for Dawson County, and operated heavy equipment with L.P. Anderson. Harold later began what became a 36-year career with MDU, starting as a meter reader and later working in welding and pipeline operations before retiring as a gas crew supervisor. Following retirement, he continued working finding a fit with Ace Ranch and Farm, where he was known and appreciated for his kindness, dependability, and willingness to help anyone in need.

Harold was preceded in death by his parents, Gordon and Norma Heafield; his infant brother; his siblings-in-law, Donna Dinardi, Richard Pettersen, and Don Boyd; and his dear friend and fishing buddy, Clarence Vallard.

He is survived by his loving wife, Renasu Heafield of Glendive; his son, Scott (Sandra Miller) Heafield of Evans, CO; his daughter, Sonya (Gary) Harnish of Ranchester, WY; his grandson, Colin (Dr. Amanda Tracy) Harnish of Laramie, WY; his sister, Rev. Susan (Rev. Dr. Brian Wren) Heafield of Wells, ME; his nephew, Nathan Heafield of Cresco, PA; cousins Leith and Yvonne Brew of Picton, New Zealand; along with sisters-in-law, Myrna "Toots" (Dan) Wornek, Loretta (Les) Stern, Leora Boyd, numerous cousins, extended family members, and in-law nieces and nephews.

The family would also like to recognize and thank the many special friends and extended family who meant so much to Harold throughout his life, especially the Downs family of Lindsay; the Ace Ranch and Farm family; Gordy and Judy Schmitt of Glendive; and Terry Kubesh of Glendive. Thank you to Hospice of Glendive; and especially our dear Tammy Varriano, your compassion and care for Harold in his final months will never be forgotten.

Harold will be remembered for his steady work ethic, his love of the outdoors, his devotion to family and friends, and the countless memories made at the lake, in a combine, or at hunting camp.

In lieu of plants and flowers memorials suggested to a favorite charity or Hospice of Glendive.

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

Upcoming Events

Memorial Service

JUN **20**. 11:00 AM (MT)

First Congregational Church
120 West Power Street
Glendive, MT 59330

Tribute Wall

SM

“ *Love and miss you.* ”



Sam Miller - Yesterday at 09:48 AM

MK

“ *Marit Kildalen lit a candle in memory of Harold Heafield* ”



Marit Kildalen - May 25 at 07:15 AM



“ *Kymerley Allen lit a candle in memory of Harold Heafield* ”



Kymerley Allen - May 23 at 01:12 AM

TK

“ *HH..May God Bless..May your Light always shine Bright, and your Spirit live on forever!!y You will be missed by all who have known you!!*



TERRY AND DEB KNAPP - May 22 at 11:09 AM

GV

“ *Greg, Nikki and Mariah Vallard lit a candle in memory of Harold Heafield*



Greg, Nikki and Mariah Vallard - May 20 at 10:37 AM



“ *Andeen Raymond lit a candle in memory of Harold Richard Heafield*



Andeen Raymond - May 20 at 10:06 AM

LD

“ *Linda R Deines lit a candle in memory of Harold Richard Heafield*



Linda R Deines - May 16 at 06:55 PM

JL

“ *Janette Legato lit a candle in memory of Harold Richard Heafield*



Janette Legato - May 16 at 05:13 PM

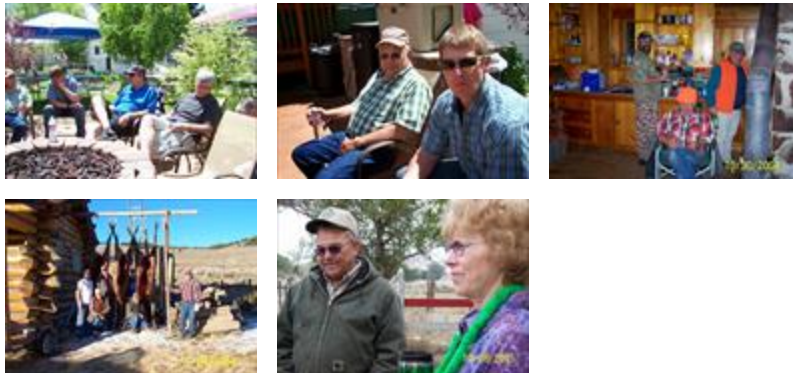
LW

“ *I have never forgotten our high school years dragging main street in our hot rod cars and and having a few parties. Harold was a great friend and I will miss him. Larry Wilken*

Larry Wilken - May 15 at 12:46 PM

DK

“ *10 files added to the tribute wall*



David Koch - May 15 at 10:57 AM

VR

“ *Renasu & Family I am so sorry & shocked to hear about Harold. He was a great guy with an unforgettable smile. Harold became my friend when I was in the 5th grade & we move to Lindsay. So many precious memories of a long friendship. My husband, Darrell and Harold grew up together at a very young age and continued their friendship. Harold surprised us and showed up at Darrell's 70th birthday and again at his memorial service. Forever remembered never forgotten! Hugs & Prayer to the family as they go through this difficult time.*

Vonnie Robson - May 14 at 04:27 PM

DD

“ *Dan and Donna Dobson lit a candle in memory of Harold Heafield*



Dan and Donna Dobson - May 14 at 11:45 AM

LR

“ *Harold was a childhood friend who I will miss dearly! After my brother's death in 2023, Harold and I continued our friendship with get-togethers in the Terry, Montana area. Those outings are among some of my fondest memories of him. I will forever cherish his memory! Rest in peace my friend!*



Larry Robson - May 14 at 10:37 AM

LM

“ Rena, Susan and families, I was so saddened to hear of Harold's passing. I, along with my siblings, grew up with Harold in Lindsay all these many years ago. Harold was the nicest guy. He drove to Billings (along with his friend, Terry) in support of myself and two siblings to attend the funeral for my brother, Darrell in September of 2023. He will be missed by many. Our condolences to all of you.
Linda and Larry McLeod

Linda McLeod - May 13 at 11:28 PM

JS

“ Jim and Donna Stanfill lit a candle in memory of Harold Heafield



Jim and Donna Stanfill - May 13 at 06:09 PM

HS

“ Helen (Bjerkreim) Schmitz lit a candle in memory of Harold Heafield



Helen (Bjerkreim) Schmitz - May 13 at 10:54 AM

MK

“ Mary Kutzler lit a candle in memory of Harold Heafield



Mary Kutzler - May 12 at 06:20 PM

BB

“ *Bonnie Broeder lit a candle in memory of Harold Heafield*



Bonnie Broeder - May 12 at 05:43 PM

EL

“ *Eula Langton lit a candle in memory of Harold Heafield*



Eula Langton - May 12 at 01:48 AM

JK

“ *Jerry & Carol Kittler lit a candle in memory of Harold Heafield*



Jerry & Carol Kittler - May 12 at 12:01 AM



“ *Heather Frank lit a candle in memory of Harold Heafield*



Heather Frank - May 11 at 07:49 PM

BK

“ *Bonita Keel lit a candle in memory of Harold Heafield*



Bonita Keel - May 11 at 05:26 PM

MW

“ *Mike and Linda Wyse lit a candle in memory of Harold Heafield*



Mike and Linda Wyse - May 11 at 02:15 PM

RO

“ *Ray and Mary Ann ODonnell lit a candle in memory of Harold Heafield*



Ray and Mary Ann ODonnell - May 11 at 02:11 PM

GK

“ *Gerhard Kron lit a candle in memory of Harold Heafield*



Gerhard Kron - May 11 at 12:58 PM

MK

“ *Marit Kildalen lit a candle in memory of Harold Heafield*



Marit Kildalen - May 11 at 08:33 AM

MM

“ *Marla McCormick lit a candle in memory of Harold Heafield*



Marla McCormick - May 10 at 05:22 PM

LD

“ *Linda R Deines lit a candle in memory of Harold Heafield*



Linda R Deines - May 10 at 02:24 PM