



Theodore Allen Tennant

November 8, 1938 - April 22, 2022

Theodore “Ted” Allen Tennant, age 83, of Richey Montana, passed away on Friday, April 22, 2022 at the Glendive Medical Center in Glendive, Montana. Visitation will be from 1:00 PM until 5:00 PM and 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM on Wednesday, April 27, 2022 at the Silha Funeral Home in Glendive. Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10:00 AM on Thursday, April 28, 2022 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Glendive with Father Francis Schreiber officiating. Rite of Committal with military honors will be in the Wibaux Cemetery in Wibaux, Montana. Silha Funeral Home of Glendive has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Ted was born on to Grace (Rogers) and Howard Tennant in Wibaux, Montana on November 8, 1938. He was born on the Beaver Creek and this is where he got his nickname Little Beaver.

His passion for boxing started at a young age in Wibaux and continued on in Glendive. He was a Golden Glove boxer.

He attended elementary school in Glendive and Billings and graduated from Dawson County High School in 1957. During this time, he enjoyed playing sports and was known for being a tough football player. He continued this by coaching football and wrestling and watching his children and grandchildren participate in sports. He was their #1 fan and followed wrestling for many years as a father, grandfather and an active AAU president.

Ted enlisted in the United States Army in 1957. He went to boot camp at Fort Ord in California and served 18 months in Germany as a clerk in the 7th Army

at Mannheim.

When he returned from Germany, he met and married Virginia Bauer. They were married on June 3, 1961 at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Glendive, Montana. From this union seven children were born, Pat, Tarena, Mike, Shawn, Nadean, Jennifer, Clay. They built their home 6 miles east of Glendive. Not only was their place full of children but a magnitude of different farm animals.

At an early age, Ted went to work for the railroad. He started with the Great Northern Railroad as a brakeman and retired with Burlington Northern as a conductor after 42 years. During his many years he developed many close friendships and was a mentor to many young hires.

After retirement he moved to Richey. Ted continued his passion with rocks and rock masonry. He loved to share his skills and work by doing projects at the Richey Community Park and the Stockman Bar.

Ted loved hunting, fishing, and livestock. In fact, in his retirement one of his highlights of life was spending time calving cows at his nephew Roger Anderson's ranch at Hodges.

Proceeded in death by: parents Grace and Howard, sisters; Helen, Dolores, brothers; Roger, Jack, Lee, and Clay, grandchildren; Jordan Jacob Werdel, Wyatt Tennant.

Ted is survived by: Virginia; children: Pat (Cindy) Tennant, Tarena (Ted) Stortz, Mike Tennant, Shawn (Christie) Tennant, Nadean (Jerome) Brown, Jennifer Werdel, Clay (Cindy) Tennant, Grandchildren: Tyler Tennant, Christina Tennant, Chelsea Stortz, Robbie Stortz, Tate Stortz, Ben Stortz, Tyrell Tennant, Austin Tennant, Courtney Tennant, Bailey Palmer, Garret Tennant, Lindsay Tennant, Dillon Tennant, Seth Brown, Chase Brown, Jessie Werdel, Cole Werdel, Eli Tennant, Emmett Tennant, Erik Tennant, 15 great grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews.

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

Cemetery Details

Wibaux Cemetery

Wibaux, MT 59353

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 27. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (MT)

Silha Funeral Home
221 North Meade Avenue
Glendive, MT 59330

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APR 27. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (MT)

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221 North Meade Avenue
Glendive, MT 59330

Mass of Christian Burial

APR 28. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (MT)

Sacred Heart Catholic Church
316 West Benham Street
Glendive, MT 59330

Tribute Wall



“ Theodore Allen Tennant

December 07, 2022 at 04:10 PM



“ Linda Frank lit a candle in memory of Theodore Allen Tennant



Linda Frank - April 30, 2022 at 09:28 PM



“ Pat..Mike and family. I write this with utmost sadness. I not only got the privilege of working with Ted for many years but was invited to join the 'family' on your annual elk hunt to southwest Montana. Those 17 years of being included have given me some of my greatest memories, and I have to thank your dad and you kids for them. Thanks for the memories 'Ted', we will meet again (and NO I will Not drink an OLY because we are out of everything else). Heaven just got one of the best!

Ron Dye - April 28, 2022 at 12:13 AM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Theodore Allen Tennant.



April 27, 2022 at 04:08 PM

LI

“ Lynn Ingraham lit a candle in memory of Theodore Allen Tennant



Lynn Ingraham - April 27, 2022 at 12:49 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Theodore Allen Tennant.



April 27, 2022 at 11:10 AM

TF

“ The Schiller and Hoekstra Families purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Theodore Allen Tennant.



The Schiller and Hoekstra Families - April 27, 2022 at 09:08 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Theodore Allen Tennant.



April 26, 2022 at 09:17 PM

MM

“ *Sympathy to all for your loss.*

Marla McCormick - April 26, 2022 at 12:00 PM

TH

“ *Teresa Hathaway lit a candle in memory of Theodore Allen Tennant*



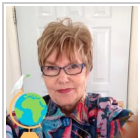
Teresa Hathaway - April 26, 2022 at 09:19 AM

SS

“ *Sorry on Alls loss*



Sue Schwindt - April 25, 2022 at 05:42 PM



“ *My deepest sympathy to all of Ted's family.*



Myrna Kintz - April 25, 2022 at 04:45 PM

TH

“ Tracey Hughes-Sand lit a candle in memory of Theodore Allen Tennant



Tracey Hughes-Sand - April 25, 2022 at 02:59 PM

SL

“ Susan Lawrence lit a candle in memory of Theodore Allen Tennant



Susan Lawrence - April 25, 2022 at 12:52 PM

SL

“ Gary & I have spent memorable hours with Ted & Roger in Wibaux! Ted was so fun to be around. Good memories. Ted tell Gary hello!



Susan Lawrence - April 25, 2022 at 12:51 PM

RF

“ Raymond and Carol Hager and Family purchased the Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant for the family of Theodore Allen Tennant.



Raymond and Carol Hager and Family - April 25, 2022 at 11:12 AM

KW

“ We knew Ted best at the baseball fields where our sons played. He was a pleasure to visit with. He was one of those baseball Dads that supported Clay all the way from ABC ball through Legion. Condolences to his family share your memories with your loved ones. Take care.
Wilbur & Karen Wallace
Paul & Annie Wallace

Karen Wallace - April 25, 2022 at 11:04 AM

AW

“ So many memories of Ted with the Schmidt family - from Jacki & I babysitting the Tennant tribe to Ted always being at Dad's annual July 4 birthday bbq if he was "in" - he was such a character and us kids always loved when he was around. My thoughts are with all of you in the loss of your Dad - he was a good one.

Arnell Schmidt Wagner - April 25, 2022 at 12:45 AM



“ I so enjoyed knowing Teddy and Arlon Patterson when I worked for BNSF, as they worked together and got to see these two goof balls quite often. They made my job so enjoyable. I was so blessed to know them. Get ready heaven, as they will be a handful together. They are the kind of people you meet in life that make you happy, smile, laugh and never forget they are your great friends. Forever T-Bond.



Diane Crockett - April 24, 2022 at 07:34 PM

GE

“ Grace Koffler Evinrude lit a candle in memory of Theodore Allen Tennant



Grace Koffler Evinrude - April 24, 2022 at 02:15 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Theodore Allen Tennant.



April 24, 2022 at 12:16 PM

MM

“ His wit and uncanny ability to put handles on all who he worked with or he came in contact with was without question, precise and on target. I'm glad that I had the privilege to work and be friends with Ted. My thought and prayers to the family. W/hawk..

Marty Mann - April 24, 2022 at 09:27 AM

DC

“ My condolences & sympathy to all of Tennant's & your families. Little Beaver/Beaver as he was known to his co-workers was one of the BEST of the BEST. We spent a lot of time on the caboose cussing & discussing everything from A-Z. Most of the time those discussions were resolved to our liking. Have a “Good Trip” TA. “DClinger”

Dick Clingingsmith - April 23, 2022 at 09:16 PM

DB

“ Our condolences to Theodore Allen Tennant's family and friends at this difficult time. Prayers to everyone. We worked with Teddy for many year on the BNSF Railroad.



Denise and Joe Bortrager - April 23, 2022 at 08:54 PM

CW

“ My heart breaks for all of you. I'm so sorry for your loss. Keeping you all in my prayers.



Carol Wolff - April 23, 2022 at 04:19 PM

RA

“ I am going to guess that anyone who knew Ted, has a Ted story. I knew Ted from working with him on the Railroad. My memories are from that small portion of Ted's BIG life. RIP and enjoy your reunion with those that pulled the "ultimate pin" ahead of you... Rolly Anvik

Rolly Anvik - April 23, 2022 at 04:17 PM

CP

“ I had just gotten a text from Dad about Teddy. So sorry for all of you. Condolences to the family! Cherish all those fond memories!

Cherise Patterson - April 23, 2022 at 02:28 PM