



Vernon Searer

February 12, 1930 - September 18, 2022

North Pleasant View Road lost its oldest neighbor and friend as Vernon Grant Searer passed away peacefully on September 18, 2022. Born on February 12, 1930 to Ulysses and Louise Searer, Vernon was the second eldest of 11 children. Vernon spent his childhood working alongside his dad on the family farm on Clear Creek. In 1946, at the age of 16, Vernon was diagnosed with the polio disease. He spent the next year in a hospital undergoing treatments and numerous months in the steel iron lung. He was very fortunate to come out with only paralysis on his left leg. Thinking that he wasn't going to be able to work on the family farm due to his diagnosis, Vernon enrolled in a Dental Technician school in Havre, Montana.

In 1949, Vernon met Doris Lucille Peters in Havre and they were married in 1950. After marriage they moved to Fargo, North Dakota where Vernon went to work as a Dental Technician. Vernon's dad decided to start retiring from the family farm, so Vernon and Doris made their way back to Glendive, Montana, where he spent the next 43 years working from sun up to sun down, farming and ranching, along with doing some Dental Technician work on the side. In 1969, Vernon purchased his present place at North Pleasant View Road, where he resided until his death.

Vernon and Doris were blessed with four children: Victor Vernon Searer, Debra Lucille Searer, Randy Scott Searer, and Billie Jo Searer. The Clear Creek Farm was sold in 1994, which allowed Vernon to go into semi-retirement. Vernon still farmed a few acres and ran a few head of cows, but

spent most of his time working with his agate jewelry, attending to his garden, and driving around in his golf cart.

Vernon never knew a stranger and he never missed his daily coffee dates at his house with all of his neighbors, where they could reminisce about the community and tell stories about the good old days. Vernon was known to many as being quite the character, where he loved to tease and heckle you any chance he could get, and he could always talk one in to playing a hand or two of the card game Pitch. He adored his grand-children and his great-grandchildren and always look forward to seeing them and hearing about their everyday lives.

Vernon is survived by his son, Randy (Patti Jo) Searer and their children Kayleen (Lyle) Peters and great grandchildren Kinlee and Leah, Jaycee Searer, and Taylor (Page) Searer. His daughter Billie Jo (James) Lipsett and grandchildren Celeste and Celina Johnson and great-grandchildren Maizie, Teagan, and Luna. His grandson Grant Searer and great-granddaughter Ella. His granddaughter Rebecca McDonald and great grandchildren Sharice and Jordan. His grandsons Tyler and Russell Kortan. And very special friends that he has known since the second grade, Pat and Anna May Reynolds.

Vernon is preceded in death by his parents, Ulysses and Louise Searer, his loving wife of 57 years Doris Searer, his son Victor Vernon Searer, and daughter Debra Lucille Searer, and eight siblings.

A Life Tribute Service will be at 11:00 AM on Friday, September 30, 2022 at Silha Funeral Home in Glendive with Heidi Carney officiating. Interment will follow in the Dawson Memorial Cemetery in Glendive. A reception will follow at the VFW in Glendive. Silha Funeral Home of Glendive has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Dawson Memorial Cemetery

2816 West Towne Street
Glendive, MT 59330

Previous Events

Life Tribute Service

SEP 30. 11:00 AM (MT)

Silha Funeral Homes - Glendive, Montana
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Tribute Wall



“ *Vernon Searer*

December 07, 2022 at 04:10 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Vernon Searer.*



September 28, 2022 at 08:17 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Vernon Searer.*



September 28, 2022 at 04:43 PM



“ *Betty Shearer lit a candle in memory of Vernon Searer*



Betty Shearer - September 23, 2022 at 10:32 PM

DK

“ Vernon Searer was probably one of the neatest guys I ever met in Glendive. Doris ruled the roost most of the time and they were very good friends with my parents. I will never forget hunting and fishing with Vern and the variety of friends he and my father had. So sorry to hear of Vern's passing and wish the best for Randy and family.
Don Knapp & family.

Don Knapp - September 23, 2022 at 08:37 PM

PZ

“ Penny And Don Zimmerman lit a candle in memory of Vernon Searer



Penny and Don Zimmerman - September 23, 2022 at 08:43 AM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Vernon Searer.



September 23, 2022 at 12:20 AM

CW

“ You're in my thoughts & prayers Randy, Billie Jo and families. Vernon always made me smile. So many wonderful memories💙
~Carol Jonas Wolff and family



Carol & Mike Wolff - September 22, 2022 at 05:57 PM

KW

“ *Kathy And Terry Woodyard lit a candle in memory of Vernon Searer*



Kathy and Terry Woodyard - September 22, 2022 at 01:50 PM

LI

“ *Sending prayers
Gary & Lynn Ingraham*



Lynn Ingraham - September 21, 2022 at 10:47 PM

MS

“ *I am so honored we were able to meet Uncle Vernon when we visited Glendive several years ago. Uncle Vernon was so welcoming, and I felt as if I had known him my entire life. We are so sorry for the loss of this wonderful father, grand father, uncle, and friend. Much love to the Searer family.*

Michele Samuels, Pat Herrington's daughter

Michele Samuels - September 21, 2022 at 01:05 AM

MP

“ Searer family...May memories comfort you and bring you peace. May God's love bring you comfort and peace during this time. We will miss visiting with Uncle Vernon on our visits to Glendive, what fond memories we will have of him. Mary & Barry Perryman



Mary Perryman - September 21, 2022 at 12:18 AM

JA

“ Was as cool as they get. I always loved talking to Vernon.



Jason ackerman - September 20, 2022 at 11:05 PM

JS

“ Jim & Donna Latka Stanfill lit a candle in memory of Vernon Searer



Jim & Donna Latka Stanfill - September 20, 2022 at 10:10 PM

RW

“ Richard & Wendy lit a candle in memory of Vernon Searer



Richard & Wendy - September 20, 2022 at 09:13 PM

JG

“ *My parents were best friends with Doris and Vernon back in the 1950's-2000 until they passed away. I spent many summers out at the farm running around with Debbie and Vic. Vernon always had a smile on his face and loved teasing everyone, including Doris. I loved spending time with them all and know Vernon will be missed by many. JoAnn Knapp Gray*

JoAnn Gray - September 20, 2022 at 11:14 AM

CT

“ *Christina Tennant lit a candle in memory of Vernon Searer*



Christina Tennant - September 20, 2022 at 01:06 AM

CT

“ *Randy, Billie Jo and family, Im so sorry for your loss. I enjoyed visiting with him and hearing stories from him. I enjoyed helping him and one of my favorite memories of him is when I was working with him he got on the topic of bull riding and I said something to be a smarty pants and he looked at me and called me a little shit. He was very caring. Im going to miss him. Thoughts and prayers and hugs*

Christina Tennant - September 20, 2022 at 01:04 AM

PF

“ Pat Feldmann lit a candle in memory of Vernon Searer



pat Feldmann - September 19, 2022 at 09:52 PM

BT

“ Becky Tipton lit a candle in memory of Vernon Searer



Becky Tipton - September 19, 2022 at 08:00 PM

DD

“ Daryl & Betty Lou Dekaye lit a candle in memory of Vernon Searer



Daryl & Betty Lou Dekaye - September 19, 2022 at 04:36 PM

DB

“ Dale & Alisa Boehning lit a candle in memory of Vernon Searer



Dale & Alisa Boehning - September 19, 2022 at 03:42 PM

JC

“ *Jack & Diane Crockett lit a candle in memory of Vernon Searer*



Jack & Diane Crockett - September 19, 2022 at 12:13 PM