



Willis Hall

November 16, 1946 - October 31, 2020

Willis Hall, age 73 of Glendive, Montana, passed away on Saturday, October 31, 2020 at his home in Glendive. Memorial services will be held at 11:00 A.M. on Friday, November 6, 2020 at the Silha Funeral Home in Glendive with Reverend Larry Schlomer officiating. Silha Funeral Home of Glendive has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Willis Hall was born November 16th, 1946 in Mobridge, South Dakota, the son of Winston and Jo Hall. He graduated from Mobridge Highschool in 1965. During his school years he worked for the Smithsonian Institute along the Missouri River from 1963 to 1966 as a sight digger and as a cook. He then attended Northern State College in Aberdeen, South Dakota. He began working for Cal Golz Motors (the Volkswagen dealership) in Aberdeen as a mechanic. Little did he know this would begin his love affair for VWs that he would have for the rest of his life. In 1968 he began dating Dorotha Schlomer from Glenham, South Dakota and they would become husband and wife on October 3rd, 1970 in Glenham. With this union their sons, Winston and Andrew were born. In 1976 they moved to Mandan, North Dakota where Willis began working for Century Motors Volkswagen. As a child Willis always had a love for trains. He would always be found playing along the tracks in Mobridge. With this love he began working for the Railroad in 1978. In 1981 the family moved to Glendive, Montana where he would continue working for the Railroad until his retirement in 2006. In 1990 they adopted two more children Paul and Megan. Willis was also a very talented musician and was

one of the founding members of the Looker band in Glendive. He was a great family man and the family would often sit on the front steps of their home and sing songs while Willis played his vintage Gibson 12 string guitar. Willis was a very talented craftsman and loved wood working and building things. He hand-built a complete steam locomotive and caboose that are in their yard. Willis would also become very well known for his wonderful Christmas light displays most of which he spent countless hours hand-making. He loved spending his free time in his shop tinkering on anything he could tinker. He loved fixing and restoring old VWs and had extensive knowledge of them. He was always known for his funny humor and always had a witty quip for just about everything and would have everyone laughing. He was a devoted husband and loving father and will be greatly missed.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Winston and Jo Hall.

Willis is survived by his wife Dorotha (Dee) of Glendive; his children, Winston (Kyndra) Hall of Havre, Montana, Andrew Hall of Glendive, Paul Hall of Glendive, and Megan Hall of Glendive; grandchildren, Gavin Hall, Aitana (Dario) Scotto, Elly Moore, Cayson Hall, and Dominic Hall; sister, Wendy (Tom) Phillips of Omaha, Nebraska; and nieces, Linda and Evelyn.

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

Previous Events

Memorial Service

NOV 6. 11:00 AM (MT)

Silha Funeral Home
221 North Meade Avenue
Glendive, MT 59330

Tribute Wall



“ *Willis Hall*

December 07, 2022 at 04:10 PM



“ *Willie was a good friend of mine growing up in Mobridge. We had many adventures together that I will always remember! I am so sorry to hear of his passing. Arlin Meier*

Arlin Meier - November 25, 2020 at 10:35 PM



“ *Dee, Sorry for your loss*



sue schwindt - November 05, 2020 at 05:10 PM



“ *Pete And Deb Vogel lit a candle in memory of Willis Hall*



Pete and Deb Vogel - November 05, 2020 at 10:32 AM

DS

“ Denise Stoddart lit a candle in memory of Willis Hall



Denise Stoddart - November 04, 2020 at 11:46 PM

AS

“ RIP Willis. Classmate and good friend in our grade and high school years.. I miss those music class puppet show skits for Nettie Hauck, exploring the neighborhood, science experiments and concoctions in your back yard, trumpet serenades for whoever caught your eye, and whatever old jalopy you had purchased and working on.. and of course the catch-ups of times gone past whenever our paths crossed in later years.. You were a good mate, Will.. Condolences to Dorotha, family, and friends.. Al 'Punk' Spiry, Brisbane, Queensland, Australia..

Al Spiry - November 04, 2020 at 10:10 PM



“ 40 files added to the album Life Tributes



Silha Funeral Home - November 04, 2020 at 12:31 PM

KZ

“ We at the Tribune saddened to hear of Willis passing. It feels like we have lost another of our family members. We cherish the moments that our paths were intertwined with your family and keep you all close to our hearts. Godspeed to Willis. He has good company waiting for him on the other side.

Katie and the staff at the Mobridge Tribune

Katie Zerr - November 03, 2020 at 11:42 AM

WL

“ Wendy, Tom, Evelyn and Linda purchased the Fair rest of All for the family of Willis Hall.



Wendy, Tom, Evelyn and Linda - November 03, 2020 at 10:08 AM

GE

“ Grace Koffler Evinrude lit a candle in memory of Willis Hall



Grace Koffler Evinrude - November 03, 2020 at 08:37 AM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Willis Hall.* ”



November 02, 2020 at 11:01 PM



“ *you are in my thoughts and prayers.* ”

melissa kwasney - November 02, 2020 at 06:53 PM



“ *Our prayers are with all of you. Hold onto your special memories as they will help you get through.* ”



Bob and Dixie Justice - November 02, 2020 at 06:41 PM



“ *Janice Grigsby sent a virtual gift in memory of Willis Hall* ”



Janice Grigsby - November 02, 2020 at 06:10 PM

JK

“Dee and Willy were the two of the Glendive folks to help me become a member of the Glendive family. We would see them at breakfast at CCs almost every day. When Ted got a temp job flying packages, they welcomed me when I came alone. It was so nice to see their faces as we walked in. Dee, take care and we'll be hiking again next summer and telling stories about Willy.

Jo and Ted Kopp

Jo Kopp - November 02, 2020 at 05:44 PM

JK

“Jo and Ted Kopp purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Willis Hall.



Jo and Ted Kopp - November 02, 2020 at 05:39 PM

EL

“Eula Langton lit a candle in memory of Willis Hall



Eula Langton - November 02, 2020 at 04:26 PM

MH

“ *Dee and family, our thoughts and prayers are with you all in your time of sorrow. May Willy Rest In Peace!*
Maggie(Gartner) And George Holom



Maggie Holom - November 02, 2020 at 04:11 PM

TP

“ *Dee and Paul and Megan Hall*
Sorry about your loss.
Tyler Pust

Tyler Pust - November 02, 2020 at 04:06 PM

MK

“ *Mary Kutzler lit a candle in memory of Willis Hall*



Mary Kutzler - November 02, 2020 at 03:38 PM

LP

“ *Dee and family, we are sorry to hear of willy's passing, but he is free of pain and this cruel world he leaves behind, god bless all of you at this difficult time mike and linda peel*

linda peel - November 02, 2020 at 01:30 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Willis Hall.*



November 02, 2020 at 12:06 PM



“ *Dee and family, We are so sorry to hear of the passing of Willis. Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers. Linda Frank and family*



Linda Frank - November 02, 2020 at 02:24 AM



“ *Jim & Donna Latka Stanfill lit a candle in memory of Willis Hall*



Jim & Donna Latka Stanfill - November 01, 2020 at 08:22 PM



“ *Our condolences to Willis Hall family and friends at this difficult time. Loved seeing all his beautiful displays during the holidays. He will be greatly missed.*



Denise & Joe Bortrager - November 01, 2020 at 08:11 PM