



*Father,
We entrust Bill to your mercy.
You loved him dearly in this life:
now that he is freed from all its
cares, give him happiness and peace
forever. The old order has passed away:
welcome him now into paradise
where there will be no more sorrow,
No more weeping or pain, but only peace and joy
With Jesus, your Son, and the Holy Spirit
Forever and ever.
Amen.*

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

*William P.
McKernan*



WHO WAS BORN
November 11, 1942
Milbank, South Dakota

AND CALLED TO HIS ETERNAL HOME
January 1, 2023
Milbank, South Dakota

GRAVESIDE SERVICE AND INURNMENT
Saturday, July 1, 2023
11:00 a.m.
St. Lawrence Catholic Cemetery
Milbank, South Dakota

CELEBRANT
Father Gary DeRouchev

MILITARY HONORS
American Legion Birch-Miller Post #9
V.F.W. Grant County Post #3486
V.V.A. Northeast SD Chapter #1054
D.A.V. Chapter #19

APPRECIATION
Bill's family is grateful for your attendance at this service.
Your expressions of kindness and love are deeply appreciated.
Please join the family at the Corona Community Center, following
the inurnment, for a time of food and fellowship.

Mundwiler Funeral Home - Milbank, South Dakota

*W*illiam Peter McKernan was born on November 11, 1942, in Milbank, SD. He was the son of Emmett H. McKernan and Catherine Barbara (Huneger) McKernan. Bill grew up in Milbank. He attended St. Lawrence School and Milbank High School, graduating with the Class of 1961. He attended Southeast Technical College in Sioux Falls.

Bill served in the United States Army from 1967 until 1969. He was awarded the National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal with three Bronze Service Stars, and Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal. Following his honorable discharge, Bill returned to South Dakota.

Bill worked in the insurance business, first for Milbank Mutual in Milbank, then for Presidential Insurance in Sioux Falls, SD. He later worked for Western Bank in Sioux Falls, Sioux Falls School District, and Stone Container. Due to health reasons, Bill moved back to Milbank in 2004. He was a member of St. Lawrence Catholic Church and a member of the VFW.

Bill had an infectious laugh and friendly personality. He loved to visit and everyone was his friend. He cherished his family, loved his siblings, and adored his nieces and nephews. He enjoyed family gatherings and truly enjoyed life.

Left to cherish Bill's memory are his two sisters: Betty (Lloyd) Fenhaus of Milbank, SD; and Mary Lou Jarman of Milbank, SD; sisters-in-law, Sandy McKernan of Milbank, SD; and Sharon McKernan of Bloomington, MN; 16 nieces and nephews; as well as many friends. Bill was preceded in death by his parents: Emmett and Catherine; two brothers: Joe and Gene; and brother-in-law, Gordon Jarman.

William Peter McKernan
1942 - 2023