

**Funeral Service**  
1:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 18, 2023  
High Plains Community Church  
Gillette, Wyoming

**Officiant**  
Pastor Dan Morgan

**Music**  
“Amazing Grace”  
“The Twelfth of Never”  
“God On the Mountain”  
“I’ll Fly Away”  
“The Old Rugged Cross”

**Pallbearers**  
Alexander Smock  
Austin Smock  
Bobby Baker  
Dillard Smock  
John Baker  
Jeff Baker

**Military Honors**  
American Legion Post #42  
Honor Guard

**Interment**  
Mount Pisgah Cemetery  
Gillette, Wyoming

*The family extends an invitation to a reception and time of fellowship at the church following interment.*



*Please scan the QR code to share a loving memory or tribute.*



**Nikki Johnson Rita Mashak  
Guy Casablanca**  
Funeral Service-Monuments-  
Advance Planning-Cremation-  
Lending Library, Learning to say  
goodbye; children's tour.

Kenneth Harvey Baker, 79, of Gillette went to be with his lord and savior Thursday July 6, 2023, while at home with his family after a long battle with prostate cancer and heart disease. Ken was born November 20, 1943, in Wray, Colorado, to Harvey G and Ruby Darlene (Rears) Baker. At the age of 17, Ken married Susan Marie Baker on January 12, 1963, and they remained married for 56 years up until her passing. Ken raised two of Susan's sisters after the unexpected loss of their mother. After raising his wife's sisters, he then went onto raise three children of his own, Jeff, John, and Kenna. After raising a family of his own, Ken and his wife Susan went onto be the legal guardian of their grandson, Alexander Smock, and played a significant role in the upbringing of one of their other Grandchild, Austin Smock. Over his life, Ken and his wife raised three generations of children, which is a testament to his unmatched dedication and selflessness to his family. Ken had two favorite hobbies in adulthood, stock car racing and fishing. Ken raced stock cars in Gillette for many years, and the trophies he won from his races were enough to fill an entire bedroom. Among the many races he won, he gained valuable experience from constructing his cars that aided in the success of his oil change shop. Ken's other favorite hobby was fishing, and every summer he spent much of his time at Keyhole. His favorite place to go fishing was in Nipawin, Saskatchewan, Canada, where for many years it was a family tradition to spend one week there during the summer. Throughout his house you can find many of the large fish he caught mounted and displayed on the walls. Ken is survived by his two sisters, Jody Deegan and Tammie Ave, his two sons, Jeff and John Baker, and grandchildren Angel Levi, Travis and Bobby Baker, and Alex and Austin Smock. Ken is preceded in death by his wife, Susan Marie Baker, brother, Dickie Lee Baker, and daughter, Kenna Marie Baker. Ken Spent a large portion of his life caring for his family, and if someone were to examine his life, two important lessons would be clear: family comes first, and hard work is the key to success. Ken will be remembered for his relentless work ethic he demonstrated as an entrepreneur in multiple fields, and the boundless love he demonstrated for his family time and time again. Memorials and condolences may be sent in care of Gillette Memorial Chapel 210 West 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Gillette, WY 82716. Condolences may also be expressed at [www.gilletteremorialchapel.com](http://www.gilletteremorialchapel.com)

*In Memory Of...*  
**Kenneth H.  
Baker**



**November 19, 1943**  
to  
**July 6, 2023**





*He was there... A firm foundation  
Through all our storms of life  
A sturdy hand to hold on to  
In times of stress and strife.  
A true friend we could turn to  
When times were good or bad  
One of our greatest blessings  
The man that we called Dad.*

