

David Edward Junek was born September 18, 1924 on the family ranch near Redig, South Dakota. He was the son of Edward and Anna (Kapsa) Junek. David grew up on the family ranch near Redig, and attended the Redig Country School for 8 years. He attended Spearfish High School for one year, and received a degree in Agriculture from the SD State Agriculture School in Brookings, in the early 1940's. Shortly after, Dave returned home and ranched with his father, eventually taking over the operation. On June 8, 1955, Dave was united in marriage to Marjorie Anne Hollister in Belle Fourche. To this union, three children were born: Janet, Mark, and Brad. Following their marriage, Dave and Marjie ranched in Harding County for more than 50 years. Dave and Marjie enjoyed several trips throughout their years together. Together they traveled throughout America, including Alaska and Hawaii, and Europe as well. In 2006 they sold the ranch and moved to an acreage south of Belle Fourche. Marjie died in 2016, and since that time, Dave has continued to live in their house.

Dave was born with a curiosity that gave him a continuous desire to learn about things. He also enjoyed teaching and mentoring others about various aspects of ranching. People held him in high regard for many of his traits, and his knowledge about ranching was one of them. All Dave ever wanted to do in life was to raise cattle and sheep, and a family as well. He was blessed to do all three. During the years when the family was young, Dave was known for how hard he worked for his family. He sheared sheep as a side job, and over a period of years, he built the house they lived in. Dave was a kind man, a true gentleman. He loved his children and grandchildren and great grandchildren very much. He lived to be almost 100 years old. He was greatly loved, and he will be greatly missed.

Dave went home to heaven at the age of 98 on Wednesday, November 30th, 2022. He is survived by his daughter, Janet (Paul) Higbee of Spearfish; sons, Mark (Patty) Junek of Gillette WY, Brad (Pam) Junek of Rapid City; eight grandchildren; twelve great grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, Edward and Anna (Kapsa) Junek; wife, Marjorie; brother, John Howard; sisters, Edna Kohler, Helen Junek, Vera Heileson, and Rhoda Cummings.

May God Bless the Memory of Dave Junek.

Forever In Our Hearts



Dave Junek

September 18, 1924

November 30, 2022

IN LOVING MEMORY David Juneke

Service of Celebration

10:30 A.M. – Saturday – June 3, 2023
First Baptist Church
Belle Fourche, South Dakota

Officials

Pastor Tim Smith ~ Pastor Jean Helmer

Family Tributes

Brad Juneke Mark Juneke Paul Higbee

Special Music

“Turkey in the Straw”
Kelsey Miller, violin solo
“How Great Thou Art”
Kelsey Miller, violin – Janet Higbee, piano
Cong. Hymn #2 – “This is My Father’s World”
Cong. Hymn #429 – “The Old Rugged Cross”
Renee McAmis, organist
Kay Heck, pianist

Honorary Pallbearers

One of Dave’s great pleasures in life was telling a good story. Everyone who enjoyed Dave’s stories along with him are considered Honorary Pallbearers.

Inurnment

Pine Slope Cemetery ~ Belle Fourche, South Dakota

Following the service, you are all invited to stay for lunch and a time of fellowship.



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of the Northern Hills

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He was a Harding County rancher

That's all he wanted to be

To have some cattle and some sheep

And raise a family

With Marjie by his side

Hard working hands and sweat

He lived his dream in life

Their needs were always met

A kind and caring gentleman

Who lost Marjie six years ago

Now they're reunited

That's a comfort we now know

Oh he had his faults that's true

A sinner saved by grace

God made him and God saved him

And he lived to see 98

Lord thank you for Dave Juneke

Thanks for all the memories

We're glad he's home in heaven

Home with Marjorie

~ Mark Leverington