

Tribute to Ken Post



Kenny passed away at the age of 93. He was born in Mitchell, SD to Harley and Helen Jordan. When his mother remarried, he took the name of his stepfather Dr. Clair H Post as he did not have any sons to carry on the name. He worked at the Bell Telephone Co in SD, married Velva E Shultz and together they had 2 children. Ricky and Robert brought them much joy and happiness. Five years after Val passed, he met Donna Fredrickson (Ozmun) and decided to spend the rest of his life with her. They married October 5th, 1995, and he acquired an additional family. They enjoyed many wonderful years together doing things they both liked. From being snowbirds in Fredericksberg, TX to flying in his plane they lived an exciting life. He was a wonderful father and grandfather to all the kids, and they all loved him very much. He was a smart and caring man; helping all the kids whenever he could with whatever they needed. Being blood related was not important to Kenny as he treated all his “kids” like his own. He will be missed so much!

Kenny took great pleasure in building and flying airplanes. He flew multiple times, with each wife, to ensure they took part in all the fly ins they could. He made many friends that he enjoyed building planes with and maintained those friendships long after he had to give up flying. EAA (experimental aircraft association) was one of his passions also, having served in multiple council positions and doing many events with the team. During his early years with Donna, they took part in the Good Sam’s Club and visited many different areas in the US. He was a bean bag champion and a great shucker of pecans! Having served his country for 3 years in the US Navy he continued that with a membership in the American Legion Post 84 with Donna’s family in Minnesota. When he moved to Rapid City, he became a good friend with his neighbor B, and they built a double shop and dabbled in wood working and metal work. Many times, he would spend hours in either shop and make exciting things for family and friends.

He is survived by his loving wife, Donna. Two children Ricky (Todd) Thielen, Gillette, WY and Robert Post Hill City, SD. Two stepchildren Karen Quinnell, Faribault, MN, and Kristi (Randy) Schwartz, Rapid City, SD. Sisters Karen (Harry) Johnson, Oakdale, MN; Judy Engstrom, Siren, WI; Jackie Schonner, Oakdale, MN; brother Doyle Jordan, St. Paul, MN, and many nieces and nephews. Grandchild Tyler Thielen, step grandchildren Michael (Sarah) Quinnell, Daniel (Ashley) Quinnell, Brittany Whitney (Kris Klunder), Kayla (Michael) Wilson, Mandie Schwartz (Corey Aga). Great step grandchildren Taylor (Leslie) Donnelly, Kyle Donnelly, Riley, Jordan and Caleb Quinnell, Jude, and Noah Quinnell, Adelyne Klunder, Prestin, Serenity, and Vaidin Wilson.

He was preceded in death by his parents, sister Helen Anne, first wife Val, and stepson Kevin

Fredrickson.