



Duane Ziemkowski

December 15, 1947 - December 7, 2015

Funeral services for Duane David Ziemkowski of Hewitt will be held at 12 Noon on Friday, December 11, 2015, at the Community Center in Hewitt. Friends may call at the Schuller Family Funeral Home's Domian-Anderson Chapel in Bertha on Thursday from 5:00 until 7:00 p.m. and again at the Community Center in Hewitt on Friday from 10:30 a.m. until the time of services. Duane died peacefully at the age of 67, at his home in Hewitt, on December 7, 2015.

Duane David Ziemkowski was born on December 15, 1947, to David and Helen (Solarz) Ziemkowski in Morris, Minnesota. The family moved to a farm southwest of Bertha in 1948. Duane graduated from Bertha-Hewitt High School in 1965.

Duane was drafted into the United States Army on January 18, 1968. He served in Vietnam until he was honorably discharged on January 7, 1971. He then drove truck for Don Franklin Trucking hauling milk.

Duane and Mary Tober were united in marriage in 1970. They had three wonderful daughters: Angie, Denise, and Janell. The couple later divorced. Duane worked various jobs. The most enjoyable, however, was driving over-the-road, from which he retired in 2005.

Duane and Karen Schwantes were united in marriage in October, 2006. This marriage brought Duane more joy and happiness, including three step-children: Tammy, Aaron, and Tony and their families.

Duane and Karen enjoyed doing many activities together which included: motorcycle trips, gardening, yard work, visits to children and grandchildren, attending the grandchildren's activities, and singing.

Duane is survived by his wife, Karen of Hewitt; daughters Angie Koenig of Fargo, ND, Denise (Mike) Fritza of Washington, UT, and Janell (Jamie Rindy) Beumer of Carrington, ND; step-children Tammy (Dave) Churchill of Fergus Falls, Aaron (Bobbi) Schwantes of Fargo, ND, and Tony (Stephanie) Schwantes of Grimes, IA; sisters Pat Peterson of Deer Park, TX; Karen Kern of Alexandria, and Mary (Gene) Dario of Woodbury; several nieces and nephews; and 19 grandchildren.

Duane was preceded in death by his father, David; son-in-law, Lance; mother-in-law, Dawn; and brother-in-law, Pete.

As an expression of sympathy, memorials are preferred to Kruzin' 4 Kidz of Wadena, which benefits the Make-A-Wish Foundation. (Box 1, Wadena, MN 56482)

Honorary Pallbearers will be Duane's brother-in-law, Steve Simpson and members of the Hewitt Lions Club

Pallbearers will be Jim Walker, Mike Fritza, Jamie Rindy, Aaron Schwantes, Tony Schwantes, and Dave Churchill.

Military honors will be provided by the Elmer Goche Post 3922, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Wadena, MN.

Burial will be in Hewitt Cemetery, Hewitt, MN.

Cemetery Details

Hewitt Cemetery

Hewitt, MN 56543

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 10. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Domian-Anderson Chapel
309 2nd Avenue NW
Bertha, MN 56437
(218) 924-4000

Visitation

DEC 11. 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Hewitt Community Center
512 Wisconsin Street (4th Avenue)
Hewitt, MN 56453

Service

DEC 11. 12:00 PM (CT)

Hewitt Community Center
512 Wisconsin Street (4th Avenue)
Hewitt, MN 56453

Tribute Wall



“ Schuller Family Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Duane Ziemkowski



Schuller Family Funeral Homes - December 10, 2015 at 10:28 AM

KF

“ Kary, LaShalle, Jenna, Kate, Ava and extended Talons' family purchased the Simply Elegant Spat hiphyllum for the family of Duane Ziemkowski.



Kary, LaShalle, Jenna, Kate, Ava and extended Talons' family
- December 10, 2015 at 09:01 PM



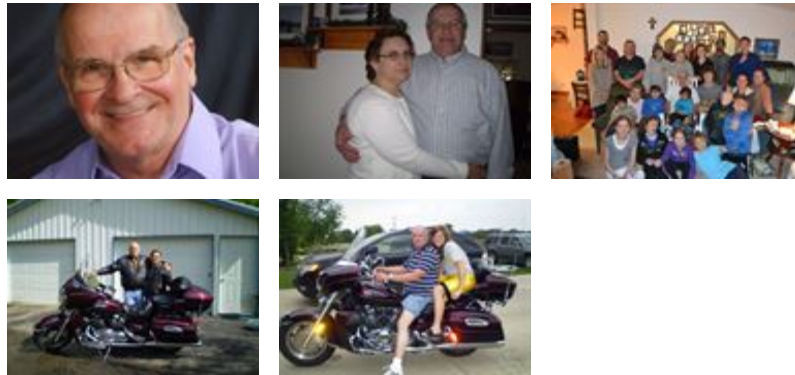
“ A New Sunrise Spray was purchased for the family of Duane Ziemkowski.



December 10, 2015 at 12:29 PM



“ 41 files added to the album Life Tributes



Schuller Family Funeral Homes - December 10, 2015 at 10:20 AM

BW

“ Brenda Walz lit a candle in memory of Duane Ziemkowski



Brenda Walz - December 10, 2015 at 09:02 AM

KW

“ There are no words to comfort at a time like this. Just looking at this picture of him, tells us what a wonderful human being he was. He was a loving man, who loved and respected his family and his friends, he will be missed everyday. We love you Karen.



Karen Weego - December 10, 2015 at 05:59 AM

CP

“ When I think of Duane I think of when I took care of your mother and we would make cookies. She always had to save home some raw dough. God's blessing on you, Karen.

carol pugsley - December 09, 2015 at 09:09 PM

JB

“ Judy And Randy Beaver lit a candle in memory of Duane Ziemkowski



Judy and Randy Beaver - December 09, 2015 at 07:58 PM

TF

“ The Brouillette and Jeff Fritza family. purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Duane Ziemkowski.



The Brouillette and Jeff Fritza family. - December 09, 2015 at 07:14 PM

RS

“ So sorry for your loss Karen.His passing leaves an empty spot in our heart. Duane was a dear friend/classmate, one I had a good time with. I will miss giving him a bunch of B.S. as he was just as good at giving it back. I will keep you and Duane in our prayers. Yes, were still going to have that cold one we talked about when we get back home. Take care and God be with you. love from Vegas. Ray South.

ray south - December 09, 2015 at 01:39 PM

RS

“ Ray and I are so very sorry Karen and his children, he has his angel wing now and singing his heart out with his beautiful voice. Prayers and love to you all.

Ray/Sandy South - December 09, 2015 at 12:48 PM

BC

“ Brad, Chris, Alex, and Clara purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Duane Ziemkowski.



Brad, Chris, Alex, and Clara - December 09, 2015 at 11:48 AM

LD

“ Remembering Karen's little brother, "Dewsy" [not sure how to spell that].
What a cute kid and then all grown up, a husband, father and grandfather. May good memories ease the pain and sorrow at this time. LaVonne Drayna

LaVonne Drayna - December 09, 2015 at 10:06 AM

ME

“ Margaret & Peter Van Erp lit a candle in memory of Duane Ziemkowski



Margaret & Peter Van Erp - December 09, 2015 at 09:54 AM

SH

“ *Shandel Hetle lit a candle in memory of Duane Ziemkowski*



Shandel Hetle - December 09, 2015 at 09:12 AM

KT

“ *To Angie and Family,
It was fun to listen to you and watch your face light up, as you talked about these last few weeks together with your Dad, your sisters and family. You shared your joy of sitting with him and looking through pictures with your girls, and them hearing stories about their grandpa. This is priceless and will be remembered forever. You know our hearts are with you during this time, and of course our prayers for now and the days to come.*

Tom and Kris, our boys and their families

Kris Thompson - December 09, 2015 at 07:27 AM

KH

“ *Kevin Hennagir lit a candle in memory of Duane Ziemkowski*



Kevin Hennagir - December 09, 2015 at 06:30 AM

JB

“ *Janice Bastian lit a candle in memory of Duane Ziemkowski*



Janice Bastian - December 09, 2015 at 06:28 AM

JB

Prayers and love for you Karen

Janice Bastian - December 09, 2015 at 06:31 AM

GG

“ *Ginger & Roland Gilbert lit a candle in memory of Duane Ziemkowski*



Ginger & Roland Gilbert - December 09, 2015 at 03:05 AM

DT

“ *Our sincere sympathy to you, Karen. Prayers for peace and strength for you. God Bless. Dennis & Susan Thiel*

Dennis & Susan Thiel - December 08, 2015 at 10:36 PM

RA

“ *Rita Anderson lit a candle in memory of Duane Ziemkowski*



Rita Anderson - December 08, 2015 at 09:13 PM

GK

“ *Gene & Sandy Kapphahn lit a candle in memory of Duane Ziemkowski*



Gene & Sandy Kapphahn - December 08, 2015 at 09:05 PM

LS

“ *Lea Snyder lit a candle in memory of Duane Ziemkowski*



Lea Snyder - December 08, 2015 at 08:47 PM

RK

“ *Rich & Mavis Kendall lit a candle in memory of Duane Ziemkowski*



Rich & Mavis Kendall - December 08, 2015 at 08:30 PM

JO

“ *Joan And Doug Ostlund lit a candle in memory of Duane Ziemkowski*



Joan and Doug Ostlund - December 08, 2015 at 07:56 PM