



Sherman Herbert Kinken

January 1, 1937 - February 27, 2021

Sherman "Herbie" Kinken

Age, 84 of Crystal, MN went to his heavenly home on 2/27/21. Born 1/1/1937 to Ebba (Nelson) and Samuel Kinken in Oakes, ND. Preceded in death by his parents, siblings Earl Kinken, Beatrice (Kempie) Grow, Donna Miller, Joanne Oster, Dorothy (Loss) Brown, nephew Danny Oster, and several great nieces and nephews. Survived by a Sister Clara Mae (Red) Fuss, and dozens of nieces and nephews, great nieces & nephews.

He graduated from DeLamere ND High School in 1955. Then he was drafted into the U.S. Army. After serving in the Army, he was a long-time employee at Safeco-Liberty Cartons.

Herbie was an avid bowler, fisherman, and he loved his John Deere memorabilia, MN Vikings, and NDSU Bisons. He never met a soul he couldn't make friends with and he will be missed by everyone who met him.

He was always the first one out on the floor for dances with the new brides in the family. The Chicken Dance was a favorite of his.

Tribute Wall



“ Washburn-McReavy Funeral Chapels created a Funeral Service of Sherman H. Kinken in memory of Sherman Herbert Kinken



Washburn-McReavy - March 06, 2021 at 11:29 AM

DD

Thank you for sharing Herbie's service. I very much enjoyed all of the sharing and I know that Herbie was watching from above and loving every minute of it. All of the music shared was so appropriate and so Herbie. He will be missed for sure but we all will carry a little bit of him with us for the rest of our lives.

Debbie

Debra L Dodds - March 06, 2021 at 12:55 PM

DD

I worked with Herbie at LDI for many years and he touched so many lives in such a positive as he touched mine. What a special man. Even after he left LDI Herbie would come and visit from time to time. He always made sure to touch base with me when he came in. We always had a cup of coffee and to my wonder I never understood how he could drink that coffee black and absolutely piping hot, he never let cool down. I was amazed. He gave me great big hugs and a generous smile. Yawh he did. I looked forward to seeing him at the Silver Torch event every year and will miss him there. From time to Time, Herbie would stop in a the Alley that I bowled at and watch me and root me on. Generally it didn't help my bowling but it was always good to see him. Liberty Carton also had a bowling team there so it wasn't just me that he came to see.

Herbie is one of a kind and for those of us who got to know him understand how lucky we are to have had him in our heart and life. Rest High on that Mountain my Friend.

Debbie Dodds

Debra L Dodds - March 06, 2021 at 01:14 PM

JD

“ We are sorry for our belated knowledge of our friend "Herbie's" passing. We very much enjoyed visiting with him at Senior Dinning at the Crystal Community Center. We also picked him up a couple of times. Another meal he enjoyed with us was the Lutfisk dinner at St. James Lutheran Church. He loved talking about the Minnesota Twins baseball team!!! We will miss Herbie at our lunch table when we can gather again at the Crystal Community Center.

James & Judy Decker - June 10, 2021 at 05:31 PM

LH

“ Lynn Harrington lit a candle in memory of Sherman Herbert Kinken



Lynn Harrington - March 06, 2021 at 01:02 PM

HG

“ We have so many great memories of Herb, he used to come over and sit in the yard with us if we were grilling our supper. He would enjoy a hot dog or two. He also let me come in out of the cold one winter when I locked myself out, he made me hot chocolate, I in return would send a meal over on various occasions and regret not doing it more for him.

I remember once telling him I could see a raccoon sticking out of his chimney, he laughed and said he thought it probably had babies in there and that they would leave.

He always had a wave to anyone that passed by and he loved chatting to the little kids in the neighborhood!

Herbie will be missed by many, sleep tight Herb xx

Hayley and Mike Gerhard - March 05, 2021 at 04:43 PM

DR

I enjoyed driving Herb to Senior Dinning at Crystal,Mn. & Going to Crystal Cafe once in awhile & I'll miss Herb !

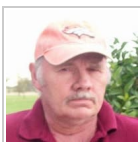
David Roscoe - May 01, 2021 at 07:39 PM

JK

“ One of a kind guy!!! Loved by Safco & LDI employees

Will see you some day pal❤️

Jan Kocur - March 04, 2021 at 03:51 PM



“ Herbie you will forever be missed and will be forever in our hearts Larry Fischer



Larry Fischer - March 04, 2021 at 11:28 AM

KA

“ *Always in our hearts.* ”



Kaylene - March 04, 2021 at 10:20 AM

MS

“ *You will be forever in my heart! I will so miss our chats & taking you to Fargo & the many many laughs & memories we have made & how you always teased me about sending all my snow up to you. It brings me peace to know you are with your parents, my Dad & sisters & many other family members.* ”



Mary Stigers - March 04, 2021 at 09:51 AM

KT

“ *Kristin Tanchin lit a candle in memory of Sherman Herbert Kinken* ”



Kristin Tanchin - March 04, 2021 at 08:59 AM

KB

“ *Karen Berg lit a candle in memory of Sherman Herbert Kinken* ”



Karen Berg - March 04, 2021 at 08:04 AM

KB

Uncle Herbie , you were so loved , you were so special , you were the man who watched over your family ,your weekly phone calls to each of us were such a wonderful time in our lives , going to miss that sat morning wakeup call, our sport team talks but most of all will miss your love , your laugh and all the wonderful moments we spent with you!

Karen Berg - March 04, 2021 at 08:12 AM

KT

Oh Herbie - I can't believe I won't be talking to you every week. It was the highlight of my day! You were such a wonderful person and I was SO LUCKY to have known you for 30 years! My heart hurts. I will miss your giggle and our breakfast dates together. I love you and miss you so much...

Kristin Tanchin - March 04, 2021 at 08:59 AM

JM

Uncle Herbie was the most good natured guy I've ever met. I'm hoping he was able to enjoy the Harmon Killebrew baseball card I sent him for Christmas, Herbie took us Miller kids to our first Major League baseball game back on June 19, 1963 and even though I've been to hundreds of games in ballparks all over the country since then, I'll always remember that one the best thanks to our wonderful uncle. Marie and I especially enjoyed his dancing at our wedding back in 1989. We'll both be praying for Herbie.

Joe Miller - March 04, 2021 at 02:49 PM

LH

Herb lived next door to my daughter and her family, Amanda, Thomas, Charles and Lucille. Herb was at every party and gathering at their house. Everyone knew him and loved him. He was a part of the family. The last time I saw Herb was a birthday party for me at my daughters house. He came over and ate with us. We are really going to miss him. He was a very special man.

Lynn Harrington - March 06, 2021 at 01:03 PM

JM

Uncle Herb was well loved by all his nephews and nieces, his great nephews and nieces. I was able to go on several road trips his Uncle Herb after her retired. Went out to Yellowstone National Park in 1999, and also to the Medora Musical, in North Dakota. Whenever I was able to get to the Twin Cities, we'd take in a Twins game. The last Twins games I went to with Herb was in 1988. Herb used to say on the answering machine if You no one was at home this is Your uncle calling!

I wish You that Uncle Herbie would had the opportunity to meet My cats Moses, Max and dog Francis. Well Uncle Herbie You will be greatly missed!

Jeff Miller

Jeff Miller - March 06, 2021 at 09:37 PM

JK

I worked with Herbie for years and he always had a smiling on his face and so cheerful. He will be greatly missed.

Jennifer Kish - March 09, 2021 at 03:20 PM