



## Ed Olmstead

December 29, 1942 - March 7, 2017

Ed Olmstead, 74, of Lennox, SD, died suddenly, March 8, 2017, at his rural Lennox home, from an apparent heart condition. Ralph "Ed" Edwin Olmstead was born in Dupree, SD, on December 29, 1942, the son of Justus Ben and Evelyn Violet (Thompson) Olmstead. He graduated from Provo High School in Igloo, SD in 1960, where he played baseball and football. On July 26, 1963 he married Linda Kay Hamaker. The couple moved to Lennox in 1975. Ed was employed at the Valley Exchange Insurance Agency. In 1987 they relocated to Ely, NV where Ed became the lab manager for the Silver King Gold Mine for several years. He then went to work as a maintenance manager for SD Housing in Hot Springs, SD, retiring in 2008. The couple then returned to Lennox. Ed was an active member of the Second Reformed Church, Lennox Commercial Club, Lennox Lions, Lennox Jaycees, and Lennox Sports Boosters. His passion for sports lead him to coach and umpire baseball. He was also the scorekeeper and clock official for boys and girls basketball. In retirement Ed served as the worshipful grandmaster of Mountain View Lodge 161, Edgemont and belonged to NAJA Shrine and Fall River Shrine Patrol. He loved traveling the state, attending his families sporting and band events. Besides his parents, Ed was preceded in death by brother, Marvin and brother-in-law, Charles Geboe and five nephews. Grateful for having shared his life are his wife Linda; children: Denise Oltmanns, Edgemont, Timothy (Jada) Olmstead, Sioux Falls and Tamra (Joseph) Harrington, Lennox; six grandchildren: Nicholas (Stesha) Oltmanns, Lindsey Oltmanns, Trever

Harrington, Jordan Harrington, Tyler Olmstead and Tanner Olmstead; great-grandchildren: Madix & Jaxx Oltmanns; siblings: Norman, Martin, SD, Vernon, Edgemont, SD, Dennis, Sherman, TX and Darlene Geboe and sister-in-law, Doris Olmstead, Bellingham, WA as well as other relatives and a host of friends. Memorial services will begin at 1:00 p.m. Saturday, March 11, 2017 at Second Reformed Church, Lennox with burial at a later date in the Lennox Cemetery. Visitation with the family present will be 5 to 7 p.m. Friday at Dindot-Klusmann Funeral Home, Lennox. In lieu of flowers the family requests memorials to Lennox Baseball Assn. or Second Reformed Church.

# Tribute Wall

PK

“ *Ed will be dearly missed, always a friendly smile and a quiet kind manner.*

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**PATRICIA KOERNER** - March 13, 2017 at 12:00 AM

BL

“ *My greatest sympathy on the passing of Mr. Olmstead. I always enjoyed the visits and listening to all of his accomplishments. He was very lucky to raise an outstanding family. May he rest in peace. God Bless.  
Brian Lind*

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**Brian Lind** - March 12, 2017 at 12:00 AM

LR

“ *We love you so very much and hold you close to our hearts .....*

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**Larry & Dar Ridley** - March 12, 2017 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ *We have many treasured memories of Ed, like Halloween dress ups, Wednesday night's at the Victory with the whole gang. Never a dull moment! Ed will be missed, but is in good hands now. Love you all.*

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**Michelle and Brice Schumacher** - March 11, 2017 at 12:00 AM

CO

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

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**Curt & Darla Otten** - March 10, 2017 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ Our deepest sympathies to all of the family. Ed was a wonderful person God Speed Ed you will always be remembered and missed.

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**Laura Stoffers** - March 10, 2017 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ My condolences and prayers are with all of the family at this difficult time.

*Linda Hedglin Class of '62*

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**Linda (Hedglin) Siedschlag** - March 10, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Dear Linda and family,  
Ed was such a kind man. I could tell how much he loved you. So glad to have known Ed through the many years of teaching and living in Lennox.

*God bless the Olmstead family.*

*John*

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**John Mogen** - March 10, 2017 at 12:00 AM

AL

“ Our deepest sympathy to all.

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**ARLO & Vonnie Larson** - March 09, 2017 at 12:00 AM

WJ

“ Very sorry for your loss.

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**Wayne, Karmen, and Newt Johnson** - March 09, 2017 at 12:00 AM

KA

“ So sorry to hear about the passing of Ed, your in my thoughts and prayers

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**Kristy Albers** - March 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM

GO

“ We will miss Ed forever, Hugs, go

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**Gary Olson** - March 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM