

Kevin Guenther, 76, of Grenora, North Dakota, passed away, with his family by his side, on Monday, March 9, 2026 at CHI St. Alexius Hospital in Williston, ND.

Kevin was born November 3, 1949, in Williston, North Dakota, to Donald and Marian Guenther. He was the first of six children and spent his early years living on the same farmyard as his Uncle Vern, Aunt Jean, and cousins Linda, Jerry, and Loretta.

Kevin attended Hiawatha Elementary School just west of Dagmar, Montana. After his parents purchased the current Guenther Farm, Kevin attended Antelope Public School, where he participated in high school track and basketball. He graduated in 1968 and went on to attend Northern Montana College in Havre, Montana, for one year.

After returning to the Dagmar area, Kevin worked on the oil rigs for several years. During this time, he joined the Plentywood unit of the Montana National Guard, where he discovered his love for surveying.

Kevin worked in surveying for more than 20 years. His work took him to many parts of the United States, which is how he met Kay, his second wife. Kevin and Kay were married in Froid, Montana, where they made their home while Kevin raised sheep just west of town. This marriage blessed Kevin with his children, sons Zach and Nich, and daughter Amanda. Kevin and Kay later divorced.

Kevin married Lynn Jacobsen in 1973. Though their paths later took them in different directions, they eventually reunited, and Kevin became a loving father to Lynn's son, Josh. Around this time, Kevin also began raising Red Angus cattle on the Grenora Farm. Following their divorce, Kevin continued to call the Grenora Farm home, where he raised cattle until his passing.

Kevin served as Grenora Township Supervisor and was an active member of the Grenora Saddle Club for many years, serving as president from 2018 until the club was disbanded in 2024.

From the time he could walk, Kevin was his grandfather's shadow and spent much of his childhood with his greatest role model. He grew up working with many farm animals and riding horses, something he loved his entire life. Kevin also played baseball for the Dagmar Little League team, where he enjoyed playing third base—proudly calling it "the hot corner."

Kevin enjoyed hunting waterfowl and upland birds and once harvested a whitetail deer using a 45-pound recurve bow. He had a deep love for geology, wildlife photography, and the outdoors. Above all, Kevin loved his four children, his twelve grandchildren, and of course, his dogs.

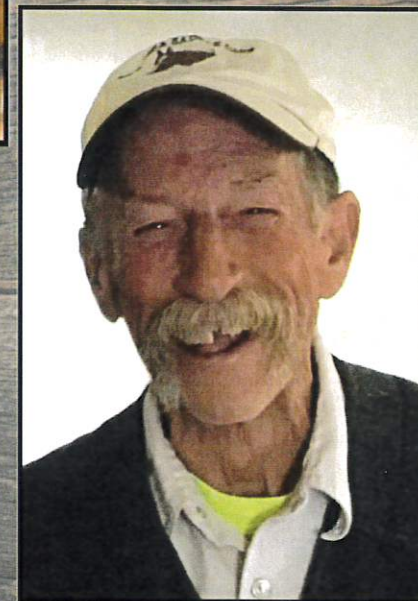
Kevin will be remembered for his integrity, his deep respect for nature, and the quiet way he cared for those around him.

He is survived by his children, Zach (Denell), Nich (Katie), Amanda Essen (Derek), and Josh Pitman; twelve grandchildren; and his siblings, Glen (Gail), Keith (Debbie), Randy, Donelle (Clint), and Russel (Julee).

Kevin was preceded in death by his parents, Donald and Marian Guenther.



Celebrating
A Life
Well Lived



Kevin
Guenther

November 3, 1949 - March 9, 2026

God forbid that
I should go to

ANY
Heaven
in which there are no
horses...

A Cowboy's Prayer

Oh Lord, I've never lived where churches grow.
I love creation better as it stood
That day You finished it so long ago
And looked upon Your work and called it good.

Just let me live my life as I've begun
And give me work that's open to the sky;
Make me a pardner of the wind and sun,
And I won't ask a life that's soft or high.
Let me be easy on the man that's down;
Let me be square and generous with all.
I'm careless sometimes, Lord, when I'm in town.
Make me as big and open as the plains,
As honest as the hawse between my knees,
Clean as the wind that blows behind the rains,
Free as the hawk that circles down the breeze!

Forgive me, Lord, if sometimes I forget.
You know about the reasons that are hid.
You understand the things that gall and fret;
You know me better than my mother did.

Just keep an eye on all that's done and said
And right me, sometimes, when I turn aside,
And guide me on the long, dim, trail ahead
That stretches upward toward the Great Divide.

Badger Clark



Kevin Guenther



Born to Donald and Marion Guenther

November 3, 1949 ~ Williston, Montana

Returned to His Heavenly Father

March 9, 2026 ~ Williston, North Dakota

Memorial Service

Saturday, May 2, 2026 ~ 1:00 PM
Grenora Community Center
Grenora, North Dakota

Officiating

Pastor Steve Anderson

Music

"As The Cowboy Rides Away" ~ George Strait
"When I Get Where I'm Going" ~ Brad Paisley
"God Made A Farmer" ~ Paul Harvey

Honorary Urn Bearers

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| Jay Olson | Doug Smith |
| Robert Christianson | Mike Kueffler |
| Russel Guenther | Glen Guenther |

Final Resting Place

Grenora Cemetery
Grenora, North Dakota

Military Rites

North Dakota Military Funeral Honors

Arrangements By

Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home
Williston, North Dakota