



Celebrating
THE LIFE OF
Kenneth "Kenny" Thomas Minow

Funeral Service

Saturday, January 27, 2024 ~ 1:00 p.m.
Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home
Miles City, Montana

Officiating

Laura Lee Ullrich

Music

Provided by Tom and Amy Minow
"How Great Thou Art"
"Wings of a Dove"
"Amazing Grace" - Graveside

Pallbearers

Wade Coulter, Jim Dolatta, Steve Hedge,
Jim Jones, Troy Walker, Scottie Williams,
Kruz Tavary, Ron Rooney, Steve Goetz,
Jerry Muggli, Wayne Williams & Cody Mavity

Honorary Pallbearers

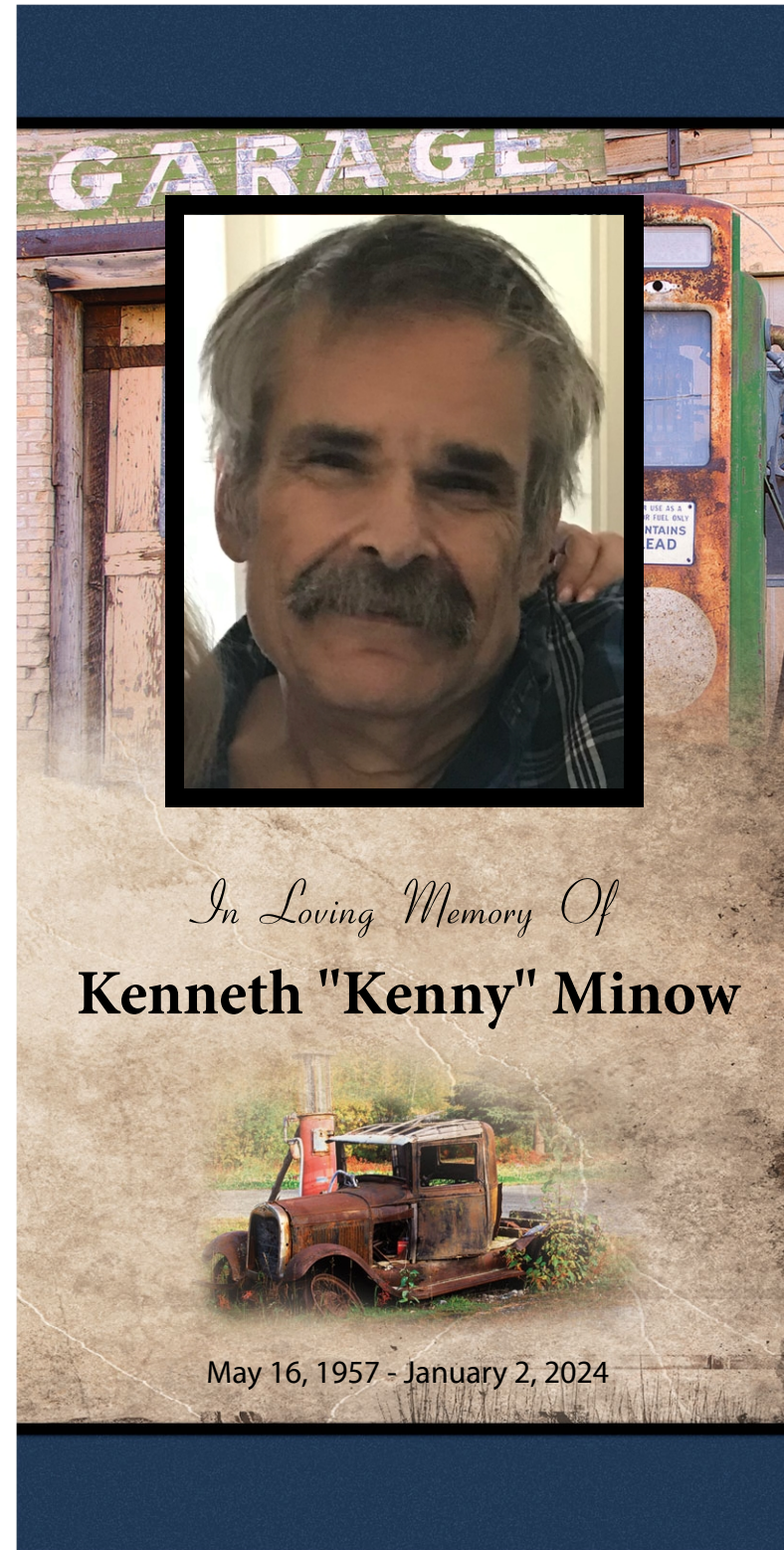
Jackie Hunnes, Don Pyle, Linda Walker,
Preston Wilson, Bert Woods and all of Kenny's
friends are considered honorary pallbearers

Interment

Custer County Cemetery
Miles City, Montana

*Following the interment, a luncheon will be
held at The Parlor 1806 Main Street.
Everyone is invited.*

Arrangements by
Stevenson and Sons Funeral Home





On January 2, 2024, Kenny died of a heart attack while working at his Miles City shop. He was 66 years old.

Kenny was born on May 16, 1957, in Miles City. He was the middle child and only son of June and Pete Minow. The Minows owned a beautiful place in Beaver Creek from 1951 to 2013. He remained close with his sisters and his parents his entire life.

Kenny was always drawn to automobiles and music. When Kenny was a tot, he could already identify the make and models of cars. In later years, Ken and his dad restored a 1947 International KB-6 truck as well as several '40s Ford tractors. Kenny sang before he could talk, and could play songs after listening to them once or twice.

In grade school, Kenny attended a one-room schoolhouse with his sisters. He was in 4-H for many years, winning trophies for his automotive and garden projects at the Powder River County Fair.

Kenny graduated from Custer County High School before working in the oil fields. He went back to Miles City Community College to study mechanics. In 1987, he opened his shop, KM Repair, where good friends frequently dropped by. His kindness and work ethic have been noted by many customers.

Kenny was the rare Eastern Montana Democrat, and didn't shy away from political debates. He was also a voracious reader.

For years, Kenny played in a band, Rapid Fire, touring the state and picking up stories. His adventurous spirit also led to motorcycles, and he traveled to Sturgis with friends at least a dozen times on his Harley, and to the Milwaukee Motorcycle Rally.

Kenny had the good fortune to have had several great cats throughout the years, with Clyde as his all-time favorite.

In 2003, Kenny's life changed when he received gastric bypass surgery. He was forever grateful to his parents for paying for the surgery. At Christmas, Kenny remarked that it had been his healthiest year in a long time. It had also been a very happy year, with a trip to Arizona to see his sister Karen and the Barrett-Jackson car auction. He spent lots of time watching NHRA drag racing with his dear friend Jackie Hunnes.

Kenny is survived by his parents, Pete and June, and his sisters, Terry Lynn Minow (Brud Smith) and Karen Minow-Tavary. Kenny taught his nieces and nephew how to play poker—Brady Minow Smith, Darby Minow Smith, Kina Tavary (Freddy Figueroa), and Kruz Tavary will go on anteing up and remembering their beloved Uncle Kenny. Kenny had three young great-nephews, Koa, Kyler, and Kaden Figueroa, who looked up with wonder at his piano playing at Christmas. He was also survived by his beloved cat, Manxi, his Aunt Harriet Minow, and many cousins from the Minow, Abbott, Kiosse, and Russiff families. Friends were like family to Kenny. He was especially close with Wade Coulter, whom he talked to every day. Kenny was preceded in death by his grandparents, Thomas and Dora Minow and Arthur and Nellie Abbott, as well as uncles and aunts John and Wilma Minow, Bill and Lorraine Minow, Jim Minow, Clifford and Merle Abbott, and Charles and Millie Abbott.

Should friends desire, memorials may be made to Miles City public library or donor's choice.



REFLECTIONS

Our teeth are gettin' longer
Our disposition's stronger
Our beards are all turnin' to chrome
Gives cause to ponder
The paths we have wandered
The paths we have chosen to roam

Good times bad times
Black nights gray lines
There's a constant that always rings true
When a buddy of mine is hurtin'
There's one thing for certain
I'm gonna be hurtin' too

Sometimes you find hard rain
When you're jammin' the fast lane
And Mr. Blues has done come to your town
A few words from a good friend
Can help bring a quick end
To the gloom that's bringin' you down

When squeeze comes to crunch
And my ticket's been punched
And my time on this earth is at the end
I hope old Saint Pete
Takes a look at my sheet
And sees I never turned my back on a friend

by Ken Minow