



Andrew Wendelin Keller

February 18, 1945 - June 7, 2025

Lafayette -

An interment will be held at the Black Hills National cemetery in Sturgis, South Dakota, with full military honors on June 18th at 2:30 pm for Andrew Wendelin Keller, age 80, who passed away on Saturday, June 7, 2025 at the Calcutta House in Lafayette.

Father Tony Grosenburg will be the celebrant.

A celebration of life will be scheduled in Lafayette, LA at a later date.

Andrew was born on February 18, 1945 in McLaughlin, South Dakota, and he was a longtime resident of Lafayette. Andrew grew up as a cowboy on the family ranch in McLaughlin and was the South Dakota bull riding junior state champion in 1961 and 1962. After graduating high school, Andy enlisted in the navy from 1963-1967. Upon being honorably discharged, he began a career as a helicopter mechanic in Lafayette, LA. He later went on to work in the oil field industry and traveled the world extensively. Andy took pleasure in cooking and entertaining. He enjoyed the outdoors and was an avid fisherman and hunter. During retirement he spent his time creating art work, that he would gift to his friends and family. He will be deeply missed by his family and loved ones.

Andrew is survived by his loving partner of 12 years, Mary Perrodin of Lafayette; his son, Matthew Keller of Lafayette; his siblings, Paul Keller of Mobridge, South Dakota and Tim Keller of McLaughlin, South Dakota; as well as Lance Keller of McLaughlin, South Dakota; Trina Mardian of Mobridge, South Dakota; Megan Schott of Bozeman, Montana; Heather Stoick of Mobridge, South Dakota; Breau Keller of Wichita, Kansas; and Sean Keller of Mobridge, South Dakota.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Leona Keller of McLaughlin, South Dakota.

In lieu of flowers, the family ask that donation be made to Hospice of Acadiana or the Cystic Fibrosis foundation.

The family wishes to extend a thank you to all of Andrew's friends, family, and Hospice of Acadiana, who have supported them in this difficult time.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Cypress Funeral Home & Crematory, 206 W. Lafayette St., Maurice, LA 70555.

Cemetery Details

Black Hills National cemetery

20901 Pleasant Valley Dr.
Sturgis, SD 57785
<https://www.cem.va.gov/cems/nchp/blackhills.asp>

Previous Events

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Tribute Wall

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“ I just today learned of Andy’s passing and I am greatly saddened. Andy and his Brother Paul were my best friends growing up in Mclaughlin. The last time I communicated with Andy was on his 80th birthday. This is the trouble with growing old! Rest in peace my dear friend.

Mike Otterberg, Fort peck, MT

Mike Otterberg - September 20, 2025 at 04:19 PM

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“ I've never met such an energetic and hard working person besides Andy Keller. Andy was always so upbeat! A great host and pretty solid cook, as well Andy, you will be missed by many. May you have a peaceful rest, my friend
Debbie Brown



Deborah Brown - June 20, 2025 at 06:48 PM