



My flesh and  
my heart fail; but  
is the strength  
of my *God*  
heart  
and my portion forever.

- Psalm 73:26

*In Loving Memory*  
CELEBRATING A LIFE

## Wesley Fredrick Black

**Born to James & Frances Black**

December 8, 1948 ~ Hamilton, Montana

**Called Home to His Heavenly Father**

February 14, 2020 ~ Billings, Montana

### Memorial Service

Friday, February 21, 2020 at 11:00 AM  
New Hope Church ~ Williston, North Dakota

### Officiating

Pastor Mike Skor & Pastor Aaron Case

### Message

Chuck Black

### Music

"Swing Low, Sweet Chariot"

The Black Brothers Accompanist: Fran Black

"He Looked Beyond My Fault"

The Black Family

### Duet

"Give Me Jesus"

Vanessa Lovgren & Lori Burnett

### Urn Bearers

Wesley's Siblings

Bonnie Phipps Ron Black

Bob Black Ken Black

Doug Black Chuck Black

### Military Honors

Williston Honor Guard

North Dakota Honor Guard

*Hope Strength*

Arrangements By

Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home ~ Williston, North Dakota



*In Loving Memory Of*

## Wesley Fredrick Black

December 8, 1948 - February 14, 2020

Let your light so  
*shine*  
before men, that they may  
see your good works, and  
*Glorify* your Father  
which is in  
*heaven.*  
- Matthew 5:16



Wesley F. Black was born December 8, 1948, in Hamilton, MT to James K. and Frances M. Black. He grew up with a very close family which included one older sister and five younger brothers. His family moved to Williston, ND where he attended school, graduating with the class of 1966. Wes competed in basketball, football, and track for the Williston Coyotes. After high school, he attended UND-W and went on to graduate from Minot State in 1970 with a bachelor's degree in Social Science.

Wes served in the United States Army from 1971-1974. He was stationed in Germany during the Vietnam War where he traveled and sang with the 7th Army Chorus.

After returning to Williston, he met the love of his life, Patricia L. Qualley, from Sidney, MT. They were united in marriage in Sidney on June 21, 1975, cherishing 44 years together. Wes and Pat were blessed with three children, Brandy, Steve, and Stu, who married, and gave them their nine amazing grandchildren. They lived in Williston, where Wes worked with his dad and brothers in the oilfield until 1986 and later founded Stringliner Company where he worked until retiring in 2014. He was also a partner in a chemical injection company called FlowCore Systems, which started in 2013.

Wes was a man of integrity with a genuine love for people. He was truly the "rock" of his family. He had a profound faith in Jesus Christ, and it was evident in the way he lived his life. He had a desire to see God's Word distributed around the world. This desire led him to be involved with the Gideons ministry, which he was a part of for approximately twenty-five years. Trinity Christian School was also a very important part of Wes's ministry, because he had a desire to see young people come to know Jesus.

Wes had many passions. A few of those included flying, hiking, camping, fishing and hunting, and spending time with family and friends. His adventurous nature led him to Eureka, MT where he built his dream mountain lodge (aka "Dodge Lodge") in 2015.

In September 2019, Wes was diagnosed with two types of cancer. He fought valiantly to beat this, but God had other plans and called him home on Valentine's Day, February 14, 2020. What an appropriate day for him to meet his beloved Savior, as he always expressed so much love towards others.

He was an incredible husband, father, grandfather, son, brother, uncle, cousin, and friend. He touched many lives and will be greatly missed by many!

He is survived by his wife, Pat; one daughter, Brandy and husband Chris Vaughn (Caden, Annie, Sophie, Colten) of Williston; two sons, Steve Black and wife Chelsie (Hunter and Hallie) of Williston; Stu Black and wife Jennie (Connor, Averie, Easton) of Dickinson, ND.

He is also survived by his mom, Frances Black; and six siblings. One sister, Bonnie Phipps (Bert); five brothers, Ron Black (Leslie); Bob Black (Laura); Ken Black (Bonnie); Doug Black; Chuck Black (Andrea); and many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his dad, James Black (JK); sister-in-law, Deanne Black; and his grandparents.



That at the  
name of *Jesus*  
every knee should bow,  
of things in heaven,  
and things in earth;  
& that every tongue should  
*confess*  
that Jesus Christ is LORD,  
to the glory of God the Father.

- Philippians 2:10-11