



## Galen "Butch" Gress

January 15, 1950 - December 21, 2021

Galen "Butch" Gress, 71, of Central City, Nebraska died Tuesday, December 21, 2021 at Bryan West in Lincoln. Funeral services will be held on Tuesday, December 28, 2021 at 11 a.m. at Solt-Wagner Funeral Home in Central City with Pastor Mark Hartley officiating. Visitation will be held on Monday, December 27th from 5-7 p.m. at the funeral home. Interment will be held at a later date.

Memorials are suggested to the family to be used at a later time. Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.soltwagnerfuneral.com](http://www.soltwagnerfuneral.com).

Butch was born on January 15, 1950 to Stanley and Pearl (Christensen) Gress in Central City, Nebraska. He grew up in the Hordville area and attended Hordville High School graduating in 1968. He then attended Tech School for Drafting. He then entered the United States Navy in September of 1970 and was honorably discharged in September of 1974. Following his service to our country he married Mrytle "Sue" Stephens on July 31, 1976 in Central City. They made their home in Central City, where Butch worked for Berkley Pump in Grand Island for over 40 years, until his retirement in 2018.

Beyond anything, Butch enjoyed spending time with his grandkids. He also enjoyed hunting, golfing, and playing cards, especially pitch. He was a Nebraska Baseball season ticket holder for Nebraska Baseball. He also

enjoyed attending Nebraska Volleyball games.

Those left to cherish his memory are his children; Jeff (Shannon) Gress of Clarks, Doug (Tonya) Cooper of Grand Island, Brandy (Steven) Lunsford of Franklin, Cari (Jeff) Peabody of Utah, his siblings; Maynard Gress of Hordville, Wayne Gress of Grand Island, Lyle Gress of Hordville, Calvin Gress of Central City, and Lila Gress of Clarks, 9 grandchildren; and 2 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife; Sue, his parents; his sisters; Carolyn Gress and Marlene Gress, and his sister-in-law; Laurie Gress.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **27**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Solt-Wagner Funeral Home  
1507 17th St.  
Central City, NE 68826  
(308) 946-3303  
soltwagnerfuneral@gmail.com  
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## Funeral Service

DEC **28**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

JH

“ We were so saddened to hear of Galen’s passing, my wife I worked with Galen at Berkeley pumps for many years and also at the Berkeley service center up until he retired. We always admired his work ethic and character, he was a good friend and he will be greatly missed.

*John & Sarilee Harvey*

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**John & Sarilee Harvey** - December 26, 2021 at 06:47 PM

KA

“ So sorry to hear about Butch's passing. He was a good neighbor to my Mom, she enjoyed visiting with him. Praying that God heals your hearts and you can remember him with laughter and love.

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**Karla** - December 24, 2021 at 12:23 PM

GM

“ Sorry to hear about the passing of Galen. Truly enjoyed working alongside of Galen. Many, many fond memories. God bless and heal your family.

*Gary & Carolyn Murray*

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**Gary Murray** - December 24, 2021 at 08:10 AM

RD

“ Jeff, Shannon & family. Very sorry to hear about your dad’s passing. I pray that time will heal your sadness and make the memories brighter

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**Ron Dahlke** - December 23, 2021 at 07:08 PM



“ *Delightful Dieffenbachia was purchased for the family of Galen "Butch" Gress.*



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December 23, 2021 at 01:49 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Galen "Butch" Gress.*



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