



## Allen Lee Kohler Jr.

September 22, 1947 - November 22, 2022

Allen Lee Kohler Jr. was born the 22nd of September 1947 in Butte Montana to Allen Lee Kohler Sr. and Dorothy Dean Gray. Allen is the oldest of his family, with his brother Kyle and sister Cindy. From his youth, Allen displayed a love and respect for the outdoors and all the wonders that it contains. Allen enjoyed hunting, fishing, crystal digging, gardening, raising waterfowl, and most any sport. Allen graduated Butte High School in 1965. He attended College at Ricks College (Rexburg, Idaho), Montana Tech (Butte Montana), and Western Montana College (Dillon Montana). Allen left his college career with a Master of Science Degree in Education and Guidance Counseling and his sweetheart, Nora Linderman Kohler. Allen and Nora were married on August 23, 1969. Allen worked his way through his higher education. He was proud of his time in the under-ground mines of Butte. He had many experiences there that taught him the value of hard work. His father, who worked as a sampler for the Anaconda Company guided him through his mining experience. Allen left the mines of Butte to work the schools of Butte. Allen taught at the Kennedy and Hillcrest Elementary schools, including coaching track, football, and basketball. He retired from the Butte School District in 2002, after teaching for 33 years. After a brief stint as a substitute teacher, Allen continued his career as a Guidance counselor for the Ramsey School district, finally retiring permanently in 2019. Allen's joy in teaching could be seen and felt by those who attended his classes. Many people throughout Butte have been touched by his ability to see a person's potential

and then enabling them to find success, throughout his 50 plus year career. A corner stone of Allen's life was his love for his family and his faith in Jesus Christ. Allen was Sealed for Time and Eternity to his love, Nora, on the 18th of April, 1970, in the Idaho Falls Temple of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. Allen and Nora raised their children with the belief that families are united with a bond that lasts through eternity. Allen faithfully served in many leadership positions in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. Since his youth, he used his many musical talents to provide music for his local congregation. Allen mastered the pipe organ through self-study and perseverance.

Allen passed away Tuesday, November 22, 2022, after a long battle with dementia. He was surrounded by his wife, children, and grandchildren. Allen was preceded in death by his parents, Allen and Dorothy Kohler, and his son, Mark Allen Kohler. Allen is survived by his wife Nora Kohler (Rexburg, Idaho); children: Ora Wright (Saratoga Springs, Utah), Jennifer and Kurt Oliverson (Preston, Idaho), Benjamin Kohler (Butte, Montana), Keri and Monty Bucholz (Bozeman, Montana), and Robert and Dani Kohler (Rexburg Idaho); 18 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Funeral services for Allen will occur December 2nd, 2022, 11:00am at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, 1351 Mt. Highland Drive, Butte Montana. You are welcome to greet the family at the viewing before the funeral, starting at 10:00am. In lieu of flowers or gifts, the family asks that donations be made in Allen's name to the Butte Education Foundation or a charity of your choosing. The family wishes to express their appreciation to the staff of Homestead Assisted Living (Rexburg, ID) for the wonderful care they gave Allen.

# Cemetery Details

## Mountain View Cemetery

3910 Harrison Avenue  
Butte, MT 59701

# Previous Events

## Viewing

DEC 2. 10:00 AM (MT)

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints  
1351 Mt. Highland Dr  
Butte, MT 59701

## Funeral Service

DEC 2. 11:00 AM.

Church Of Jesus Christ Of Latter-Day Saints

# Tribute Wall

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“ I first met Brother Allen Kohler in 1968 when he student taught at Harrison School. He would.mingle with us kids and do stuff at recess. In 1971,He became my scout master, and mentored me and others. Troop 78 was under the church, Myself and others were Catholic at the time. When we were teased about that, Br. Kohler made them write the 11th Article of faith 100 times!!! I Later married and joined the church in 1996,He was the first to call and welcome me, advising me on my different callings, and insisting that I get my patriarchal blessing, which I did. I went on to have a successful career in the Air Force, retiring as a Master Sergeant in 2011. I believe to this day it was Allen's mentorship and caring that got me there.  
I am forever grateful to you my friend and brother. I also know you're still teaching on heaven, and watching over us.  
Rest in Peace and thank you!!!

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**Mudge Tamietti** - December 02, 2022 at 10:32 AM

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“ The Hunsaker family send our love and sympathy to the entire Kohler family. We have many fishing,hunting,camping, digging for crystal forever memories. He was a great friend, teacher and church leader. God bless you with comfort and peace as you adjust to this great loss in your family..Bob and Jolene

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**ROBERT HUNSAKER** - November 30, 2022 at 12:44 AM

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“ *Ben Kohler and family,*

*Extending our sincere sympathy for the death of your father, Allen.  
May he rest in peace.*

*Your Neighbors,  
Julie and Mike Bowman*

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**Mike Bowman** - November 29, 2022 at 02:46 PM

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“ *The Madison Fire Department Family purchased  
the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Allen Lee  
Kohler Jr..*



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**The Madison Fire Department Family** - November 28, 2022 at  
04:17 PM