



## Rodney Allen "Rod" Rognstad

February 29, 1952 - June 15, 2026

Rodney Allen "Rod" Rognstad passed away peacefully Monday morning, June 15, 2026 at his home in Ramsay. He was born Friday, February 29, 1952 in Moorhead, Minnesota to Arlie and Helen (Marjamma) Rognstad.

The family moved to Butte when Rod was 4 years old, settling in Brown's Gulch where Rod worked his father's ranch. Rod was educated in Butte, attending Butte High School. He started working for the Anaconda Company as a carpenter right out of high school and on November 18, 1978 he married Shirley Hanson in Gold Hill Lutheran Church. Together they had two sons, Ryan and Mark. Rod also worked for the forest service for many summers and lastly at Wal-Mart in the maintenance department for 24 years.

Rod loved camping, fishing, and the outdoors and always said the outdoors was his church. His favorite outdoor adventures took place in Yellowstone National Park where the family would spend hours driving around looking for animals and sights.

He is survived by his wife, Shirley Rognstad of Ramsay, sons and daughter-in-law, Ryan Rognstad (Gini Duty) of Billings and Mark and Aimee Rognstad of Butte. Grandchildren: Robert Rognstad, Faith Rognstad, Mackenzie Rognstad, Keghan Cline and Gaige Cline. Also surviving are his brothers-in-law and sister-in-law, Michael (Sanch) Hanson of Missoula, Bob Hanson of

Corvallis and Sharon Hanson of Las Vegas. He is preceded in death by his parents, his brother, James Rognstad and sister, Jude Billington.

Cremation has taken place. Memorial services will be conducted Friday afternoon, June 19th at 2:00 PM in Aldersgate United Methodist Church.

Rod's family extends a sincere thank you to Trek Hospice and Honey Bee Hospice for the kind and gentle care given to Rod by their wonderful staff. The family would also like to send a special thank you to Aimee Rognstad for her caregiving in his final hours.

# Upcoming Events

## Memorial Service

JUN **19**. 2:00 PM (MT)

Aldersgate United Methodist Church  
1621 Thorton  
Butte, MT 59701  
[aldersgate@bresnan.net](mailto:aldersgate@bresnan.net)

# Tribute Wall

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“ Rod was a favorite. He was always so funny, had a smile and a joke to tell. I have really fond memories of him dropping me off at school as a kid when my dad was on the early or graveyard shift. He will be greatly missed! My condolences are with you all. May the wonderful memories you've made comfort you during this time of grief. Much love to you all.

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**Kimberley Brown** - 40 minutes ago

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“ Ann Miller purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Rodney Allen "Rod" Rognstad.



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**Ann Miller** - 1 hour ago

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“ Ann Miller planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rodney Allen "Rod" Rognstad.

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**Ann Miller** - 1 hour ago

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“ Shirley and Boys , we are so sorry for the loss of Rod. I worked with Rod at Walmart and developed a great friendship. I loved his sense of humor and his care for detail when we worked together. He loved his family with all his soul. I loved that when he seen Shirley at work he would always have a quick little hug and smile for her. I know that he will watch over them all. And make sure that their lives are protected with his love and presence. May you all feel his loving arms around you each and every day. May he rest in eternal peace.

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**Connie Dotson** - 1 hour ago

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“ Connie Padrotti lit a candle in memory of Rodney Allen "Rod" Rognstad



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**Connie Padrotti** - 1 hour ago