



## Bryce Ewing

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Ewing of Castle Rock, Colorado; 13 grandchildren, 6 great grandchildren and 1 great great grandchild; a sister Jeneen Reed of Richland Center; brothers-in-law Bill Larson of Windom, Minnesota, Rev. Don (Ginnie) Larson of California; sisters-in-law Joanne (Rollie) Roesner of Windom, Minnesota, Peggy (Arlin) Mattison of Jackson, Minnesota, Barb Larson of Windom, Minnesota; special friends Bill and Molly Weston; many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sister-in-law Luetta Larson; brothers-in-law Max Larson, Robert Reed, and Gerald Larson.

Funeral Services will be held on Monday, April 7, 2014 at 11:00 AM at the Clary Memorial Funeral Home in Richland Center with Pastor Ed Jones Officiating. The Local Military Honors will provide military graveside rites at the Button Cemetery. Visitation will be held on Sunday, April 6, 2014 at the Clary Memorial Funeral Home from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM and also on Monday from 10:00 AM until the time of services at 11:00 AM. Memorials may be given to the Richland County Veterans Memorial Fund or a charity of your choice.

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JF

“ We are grateful for the memories of the Ewings from Gotham United Methodist Church. Also, what a blessing to reconnect with Dean and Brenda Litchfield again. We send prayers to your entire family.

Jon Claude and Jean Bartlett - Blue River, WI - friend - April 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ My condolences to the family. My children remember Mr. Ewing as the candy man , as for many years in Gotham he would pass out suckers to the children. All the kids new his feed truck. He always had a kind smile.

Kelly Wisch - Madison, WI - Friend of the family - April 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ Sorry to read of Bryce's passing. We're remembering days when our kids (Monty and Becky) were at RCHS and we were attending many of the same events. We're also recalling how Bryce came and relieved us of many rods and reels which would have otherwise gone to the dump. Thanks to him for that. May he rest in peace.

Cal and Eleanor Wise - Lakeland, FL - friend - April 03, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ My wife and I have fond memories of Bryce. I well remember tooling around in his yellow Chevy convertible (with a rumble seat) during our high school days.

Mel and Mary (Sholtes) Cunningham

Milfred Cunningham - Madison, WI - Friend - March 31, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RZ

“ Shirley, Kris, and family....  
Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.  
We met Bryce through church....always had candy for the kids and was  
so passionate about the Land of the Eagles mission. Always had a smile and a handshake where ever we ran into him....a thoughtful man....may he rest in peace.

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**Robin and Steve Ziemke** - March 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CN

“ My favorite memory of Uncle Bryce involves a family softball game. I was pretty little but old enough to play. Uncle Bryce was on my team (to make it even with the older cousins). I hit the ball and got on first base. Uncle Bryce was up next. He hit the ball hard and I started running to second. Before I could even get there, he caught up to me and picked me up and ran the rest of the bases with me in his arms, resulting in 2 runs for our team...much to the protest of the other team. But he insisted that we didn't break any rules because we both crossed home plate...end of discussion!

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**Carmen (Mattison) Hohensee - Worthington, MN - Niece** - March 27, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LN

“ Shirley and family,  
  
So sorry to hear of the passing of Bryce, there are many memories of him and your wonderful family. I remember the talks throughout the years, the visits with our family from the time i was a young girl. Bryce always had a smile and friendly conversation. He was a great friend, neighbor to our family from my parents, my siblings and myself and my children.

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**lynette (whaley) connerley - charles city, IA - family friend and neighbor** - March 27, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ *Shirley and family,  
You have my deepest sympathy at the loss of your husband, father,  
and grandfather.*

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**Barbara Clary - Ithaca, WI - Family friend** - March 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM