



## Jerry Bruce Reents

January 12, 1940 - December 28, 2019

Jerry Reents, 79, of Fort Collins passed away peacefully at home with family on December 28, 2019.

Jerry was born January 12, 1940 in Beatrice, Nebraska; the son of William and Alice Reents. He grew up in Nebraska and later his family moved to North Dakota. He graduated from Dickinson High School and attended Dickinson State University where he received a Bachelor's in Elementary Education. Thereafter he received a Master's degree from Chadron State College.

Jerry married the love of his life, Annette (Ellefson) Reents, August 12, 1961. They lived in South Dakota before moving to Fort Collins in 1969 where they raised four children: three daughters and one son. Jerry was a beloved and dedicated teacher. He taught for 30 years at Bennett Elementary, where he was also the Vice Principal.

Jerry was the epitome of a family man. He loved spending time with his family in the outdoors; boating, fishing and camping. Jerry was a man of great faith, which came through in all aspects of his life. His children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren all know that one of the greatest investments you can make in this life is through teaching the next generations faith in his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and to pray for their family and friends. Jerry knew when he left this world his prayers had been heard and answered by God. And God

will continue answering them long after Jerry is in Heaven.

Jerry is survived by his wife of 58 years, Annette Reents; sister, Sally (Doug) Merle; sister-in-law, Susan Reents; three daughters: Shelly (Bud) Blazier, Lisa (Cory) Sanders, Susan (Walter) Santistevan; son, Shaun (Vicky) Reents; eleven grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his parents and brother, William Reents.

PSALM 71:18

Now that I am old and gray, do not abandon me, O God, let me proclaim your power to his new generation, your mighty miracles, to all who come after me.

In lieu of flowers the family would kindly ask for donations to charities close to their hearts: The Alzheimer's Association <https://www.alz.org/>, Pathways of Northern Colorado <https://pathways-care.org/ways-to-give/>, American Diabetes Association/Rocky Mountain Area <https://www.diabetes.org/community/local-offices/colorado>

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

JAN 3. 2:00 PM (MT)

Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church  
1200 S Taft Hill Rd  
Fort Collins, CO 80521

# Tribute Wall

DO

“ I am so sorry to hear this. Annette I am sending love and prayers for you and your family at this time of great loss.

Deanne Olson - January 08, 2020 at 05:59 PM

SA

“ Annette, we send our prayers to you and your family  
(Sue Quickstad Arnegard)

sue (Quickstad) Arnegard - January 07, 2020 at 08:36 PM

JA

“ My heart is heavy for Annette and the family. Jerry was a faithful friend for many years. We came to Bennett School the same year. With our Nebraska backgrounds we had a special bond. We taught together and shared many good times in and out of school. He was a gentle man who loved his family and students. I was fortunate to have one of his grand daughters in my class. May the happy memories help his family at this difficult time.  
Janie Arnold

Janie Arnold - January 02, 2020 at 11:07 PM

KH

“ Kit Carson County Department of Public Health purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Jerry Bruce Reents.



Kit Carson County Department of Public Health - January 02, 2020 at 10:41 AM

DC

“ Jerry was a true gentleman, kind and loving. He had a great sense of humor and always positive outlook. He will be missed.

Drake Carter - January 02, 2020 at 09:33 AM

PE

“ Jerry was born in my hometown. It's a small world. Many of my family members still live in Beatrice. We had many conversations about family and friends in the area. A very kind, soft spoken man, Jerry will be missed. May God comfort his family during this sad time. Pauline And Gary Eisenberg

Pauline and Gary Eisenberg - January 01, 2020 at 10:39 AM

JG

“ I'm very sorry for the loss of Jerry (Mr. Reents). I have fond memories of him at Shepherd of the Hills. His integrity always showed and he was truly a kind man.

Julie Glassing

Julie Glassing - January 01, 2020 at 09:18 AM

DL

“ Donna Lloyd lit a candle in memory of Jerry Bruce Reents



Donna Lloyd - January 01, 2020 at 09:01 AM

DL

So sorry for your loss we can't be there but our prayers are with you and the kids. He will be missed.

Donna Lloyd - January 01, 2020 at 09:00 AM

SA

“ *Thoughts and prayers to the family. I grew up in Hettinger - was a few years younger than Annette and Anita and am sorry for this sad loss of life.*

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**sue (Quickstad) Arnegard** - December 31, 2019 at 08:55 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Jerry Bruce Reents.*



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December 31, 2019 at 05:38 PM