

where Doyle's passion for ministry continued to be impactful as he aided in the development and leading of the Higher Grounds Airman Ministry Center located on base.

Doyle's legacy continues through the lives he guided in his deep compassion and unwavering evangelistic spirit. His service with Cadence International spanned over four decades, providing a living testament to his faithful commitment to sharing Christ's love. Even after his retirement in recent years, Doyle remained active, channeling his competitive spirit into pickleball, and enjoying being in creation trout fishing and gardening.

Doyle's life was characterized by generosity, service, and patience—qualities that he embodied until he flew away into glory. His passing leaves a void in our hearts, but the gifts of his teachings and love continue to fill those spaces.

Doyle is survived by his beloved wife, Chris Spader; daughters, Michelle Miller and her husband Jed, and their children Mikaela and Brody; Lisa Dusing, her husband Andrew and their children Isaiah, Ezra, and Judah. He leaves behind a legacy of love and faith that will forever be cherished by his siblings: Donna Mae (Donnie) Neises, Donelda (Leon) Lauer, Darrell Spader, Darlene (Dick) Bartscher, Delphine Shire, Duane (Elaine) Spader, Dennis (Elizabeth) Spader, Dean (Vicki) Spader, Dorenda (Dave) Anderson, Dann (Char) Spader, and Dallas (Kris) Spader.

Our family extends heartfelt thanks for the prayers and support as with heavy hearts we bid farewell to Doyle. A man of faith, family, and continual dedication to service, Doyle's life was a reflection of God's grace and love in action. We find comfort in the knowledge that he is at peace in the arms of his Heavenly Father, having heard "Well done, good and faithful servant."

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to Cadence International, continuing the support of the mission in which Doyle so passionately believed. Memorial gifts may be sent to:

Cadence International
Attn: Spader Memorial
PO Box 1268
Englewood, CO 80150

Give online at Cadence.org/SpaderMemorial

GENTLE · GENEROUS · SERVANT

Doyle E. Spader

1948–2024



*“I thank Thee for the grace you’ve given . . .
what wonderful grace.
Whether by life or by death, may Jesus be exalted.”
From Doyle’s prayer journal*

Memorial Service March 13, 2024, 10:30 a.m.

Parkview Evangelical Free Church
Rapid City, South Dakota

Internment at 2 p.m.

Mountain View Cemetery
1901 Mountain View Rd, Rapid City
(Enter at Florman St and take the first right.)

“I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.”

2 Timothy 4:7–8 NIV

ORDER OF SERVICE

Prelude	<i>Joyce Schroeder</i>
Welcome and Prayer	<i>David Schroeder, President, Cadence International</i>
Goodness of God	<i>Lisa Dusing and Congregation</i>
Words from the Family.	<i>Dann Spader</i>
Video Tribute	
Jesus Paid it All.	<i>Congregation</i>
Open Mic Sharing	
Special Music: O Love of God	<i>Russ Ryherd, Pastor of Worship Ministry, Parkview Church and Joyce Schroeder</i>
Message	<i>David Schroeder</i>
Ten Thousand Reasons.	<i>Congregation</i>
Closing Remarks	

Pall bearers: Dean Spader, Darrell Spader, Duane Spader, Dennis Spader, Andrew Dusing, and Jed Miller



Back row L to R: Andrew Dusing, Lisa Dusing, Chris, Doyle, Michelle Miller, Jed Miller.
Front row L to R: Judah Dusing, Ezra Dusing, Isaiah Dusing, Brody Miller, Mikaela Miller

IN LOVING MEMORY OF DOYLE EUGENE SPADER (1948–2024)

Doyle Spader, a man whose life overflowed with a love of faith, family, and selfless service, was called to his heavenly home on March 1, 2024. Born on February 20, 1948, as the fourteenth child of John and Katie Spader, Doyle grew up on a farm in Oldham, South Dakota. Growing up, Doyle loved sports and was regarded as a star basketball player at DeSmet High School as he was the high point scorer in his junior and senior years at the state basketball tournament.



Doyle’s college years were spent in Aberdeen, SD at Northern State Teachers College, graduating in 1971 with a degree in Social Science and Physical Education. During the fall of his senior year, his life course was completely redirected when he asked Jesus Christ to be his Savior and Lord. After graduation, Doyle farmed with his eldest brother for two years and listened daily to the 5:00 A.M. radio ministry of J Vernon McGee called “Walk Thru the Bible.” He then felt God’s call to serve in full-time ministry and traded the fields of the farm for the mission field.

While never a member of the Armed Forces, Doyle’s love for the military was constant. For his rank he humorously referred to himself as a PFC—“Perfectly Fine Civilian.” Doyle first joined the staff of Campus Crusade for Christ’s military ministry, serving six months in Twenty-Nine Palms, California, and four years in Oceanside with the Marines and Navy Medics. Doyle married his sweetheart, Chris, in 1978, and they spent the following year in training and ministry with CCC in San Diego.

The Spaders joined Overseas Christian Servicemen’s Centers (now Cadence International) in 1979. After a temporary assignment in Rota, Spain, Doyle and Chris lived near Nuremberg, Germany, where they ministered to the military for 13 years. Their daughters Michelle and Lisa were both born at Nuremberg Army Hospital during this time.

Doyle was ordained in 1986 with the Evangelical Free Church of America. In 1992, the family returned to the U.S. for service at Cadence’s Headquarters in Colorado. They moved near Ellsworth Air Force Base in 1998,