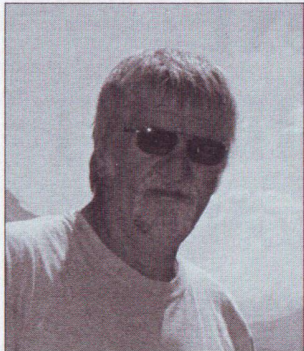


# David D. Soukup

## SPORTS



David Dean Soukup was born on March 24, 1954 in the small town of Wagner, South Dakota. He was raised by his loving mother, Eileen Kukuk and two siblings that he grew up with, Ben Soukup and Judy Altsteil. David attended the South Dakota School for the Deaf and graduated in 1973. He then went on to work at John Morrell in the hog meatpacking and hog kill department. He was a hard worker there for 14 years. And then decided to continue with his education at the National College of Business to get his BA degree.

David started up his own snow removal in 1977 while still working at John Morrell. He had a total of 5 customers. His employees were mostly deaf employees.

David married Susan Reiter on September 8, 1979 and together they started up their own lawn care and snow removal business that very same year, called Soukup Services, which was an addition on to what Davis had already started in 1977. Their business prospered, and what started out as a business with only 5 customer, turned into one with over 200 customers.

In 1983 David received the MAAD (Midwest Athletic Association for the Deaf) Hall of Fame award for his achievements in basketball and softball at Kansas City, MO.

David and Susan adopted a little boy named Jason in 1984. While he kept them very busy, in 1991, Sue gave birth to a little girl who they named Jeananne. Their two children were very active in sports while growing up. Jason was involved in football, basketball, and baseball. Jeananne played basketball, softball and volleyball. They both their athletic touch from their father.

In 2002 Soukup Services merged with CSD (Communication Service for the Deaf) and turned into CSD Lawn & Snow Services. The business that David and Sue started all on their own was named Local Best in August 2010 for the Sioux Falls Area.

He currently works as the Director of Facilities at Communication Services for the Deaf. In his position he manages who takes care of custodial, maintenance, and grounds responsibilities at CSD.

David's hobbies and interests include watching sports either on TV or at the local high school games, motorcycle riding and participating in poker runs, and he enjoys reading as well as watching lifetime movies.

David was the President of SDAD (South Dakota Association for the Deaf), Vice President of SFAD (Sioux Falls Association for the Deaf), and a long-time board member of SDAD. He is very active and involved in the deaf community.