



Duane M. Nelson

May 23, 1942 - December 14, 2019

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FORT LARAMIE, WYOMING --- Duane M. Nelson, 77, passed away Saturday, December 14th, 2019 at the Community Hospital in Torrington, Wyoming with his family by his side.

Memorial services will be held at 10am Saturday, December 21, at the Colyer Funeral Home with Pastor Marty Rostad officiating. Burial will take place in the Lusk Cemetery at a later date.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Colyer Funeral Home and friends may send their condolences to the family at www.colyerfuneralhome.com

Duane was born on May 23, 1942, in Lance Creek, Wyoming, on the Nelson ranch, the son of Linden and Anna (Gaukel) Nelson. He attended elementary school in Lance Creek and then finished his education in Lusk, Wyoming where he graduated from Niobrara County High School in 1960. After

graduation, Duane married his high school sweetheart, Bonnie Morgan, on July 23, 1960. Duane and Bonnie had three children; Ron, Kent and Kim.

In his early adulthood, Duane worked for MACJAC oilfield services. In 1963, Duane took a job as an apprentice lineman for the Niobrara Electric Association. After ten years, he was promoted to line superintendent, a position he held until he retired in 2002. After retirement, Duane and Bonnie moved to Fort Laramie, Wyoming.

He enjoyed working on cars, golfing, fishing and spending time with his family; especially his grandchildren and great grandchildren. Duane was a hard

working, great family man who will be missed by many! He will always be remembered for his ornery grin, the twinkle in his eyes and his dry wit.

Duane is survived by his wife of 59 years, Bonnie; his son Ron (Stephanie); his son Kent (Debbie); his daughter Kim (David); his mother, Anna Nelson; his brother Royce (Carolyn); his sister Nadine (Russ) Kilmer; his brother Monte (Pat); his brother Barry (Rhonda); his six grandchildren, Courtney, Allison, Kiffany, Chase, Jacob and Jordyn; and his six great grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his father, Linden; his infant brother, Ronnie and his baby sister, Tammy.

Previous Events

Memorial services

DEC **21**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (MT)

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Tribute Wall

SM

“ *Dear Bonnie
We are so sorry. Love to you and the family. Mike and Starla*

Starla Mammon - December 20, 2019 at 08:47 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the
family of Duane M. Nelson.*



December 19, 2019 at 02:34 PM

JE

“ *Memories, WOW! So many priceless memories growing up with Uncle Duane, Aunt Bonnie, Ron, Kent & Kim. Duane was always teasing and joking! Laughter was abundant! Boy oh boy did I ever catch it about my jeep and pretty much every time I hop in my Citation I recall Dad and Duane testing it out reaching 120 mph with its little V6! I'm guessing no one ever forgot a ride with Uncle Duane. He knew the exact limitations of each vehicle and rode that ledge with joy! Quite the driver especially in extremely adverse conditions. Holidays were always great fun and the 4th of July celebrations at Duane and Bonnie's place were epic! Trips to the lake, camping, family volleyball games, why am I remembering Duane's red sneakers? The Broncos game at good ol' Mile High Stadium, birthday and anniversary celebrations were always so much fun. Thanks for the laughter and so many memories to cherish! Sending hugs and prayers!*

Jeanine - December 19, 2019 at 11:33 AM

MG

“ Dear Bonnie and family, what a big loss to all of you, such an important part of your family, he will be sorely missed. Prayers to all of you for peace, knowing he is in the hands of the Lord. Hugs to all of you from Wi.

Marcia Blackmore Gunderson

Marcia Gunderson - December 18, 2019 at 09:51 PM

JB

“ Jay Bowey purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Duane M. Nelson.



Jay Bowey - December 18, 2019 at 01:55 PM

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Lamb

“ Duane and Bonnie are wonderful people and Duane will surely be missed. Our Love and Sympathy go to Bonnie and their family.

Lala Lamb - December 17, 2019 at 09:20 PM