



Juel V. Afdahl

November 20, 1971 - July 5, 2020

Julian “Juel” Victor Afdahl

On Sunday, July 5, 2020, Juel Afdahl, 48, passed away in his home, surrounded by family, after a 2 ½ year courageous battle with glioblastoma brain cancer. Because of his tremendous faith and relationship with God, he inspired many during his battle, never once complaining.

Juel was born on November 20, 1971 in Faith, SD to George and Annelle (Ellefson) Afdahl, joining siblings Georgia, Jerry and Joel. After graduating from Faith High School, Juel attended Sheridan College where he met the love of his life, Tami Schrater. The pair finished their degrees at Black Hills State University and were married on March 11, 1995. They raised two sons, Canton and Blake. Juel later went on to complete a master’s degree from Lesley University.

Juel spent his career as a teacher. He taught briefly at Takini schools in South Dakota before accepting a teaching position at Torrington High School in the fall of 2000. He served as a Business Instructor, Facilitator of the CRT (Community Resource Training) program and most recently served as co-instructor across the Career and Technical Education programs. During his tenure he served as a head golf coach, activities supervisor and served on the school leadership team. Juel had a special connection with students based on

mutual respect and could reach them in ways that others couldn't.

Juel spent many years roping and rodeoing and passed that love on to his boys. Together they spent hours in the practice pen and traveling to rodeos throughout the region. He was always the guy at the roping boxes helping out and the one many young cowboys asked to push a calf, tail a steer, or just get general feedback from about their draw, their horse, or their run. Juel served on the board for the Wyoming High School Rodeo Association and could always be found helping in the arena. He coached both of the boys in Little League baseball and football.

Family was a priority with Juel and he was happiest when spending time, regardless of the activity, with family. When the boys were competing, Juel would tell them "Get your mind right and be aggressive." That is the same motto he and his family used during his cancer battle. Juel will always be remembered for his infectious smile and laugh.

Grateful for sharing in his life are all of his family and friends including wife Tami, sons Canton (22) and Blake (18), parents George and Annelle Afdahl, Faith, SD, sister Georgia (Jeff) Stocklin, Ten Sleep, WY, brother Jerry (Lori) Afdahl, Kingwood, TX, and brother Joel (Claudine) Afdahl, Faith, SD, mother-in-law Roberta Schrater, Buffalo, WY and brother-in-law Steve (Shawna) Schrater, Gillette, WY along with several nieces, nephews and great nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his Grandparents, several aunts and uncles, his father-in-law, and a special infant Godson Mason Peterson.

A casual Celebration of Life to honor this great man will be held on Monday, July 27th at 1:30 pm at the Rendezvous Center at the Goshen County Fairgrounds with County approval with distancing. Juel was passionate about helping others. In lieu of flowers, please consider helping someone in need or planting a tree in his memory. Memorial gifts can be sent to the Juel Afdahl

family with a memorial benefiting students established at a later date.

Previous Events

Memorial services

JUL 27. 1:30 PM (MT)

Rendezvous Center/Fairgrounds
Torrington, WY

Tribute Wall



“ Dear Tammy, Canton and Blake,
You are in our thoughts and prayers. Juel was one of the first people, I met when coming up to Wyoming to rodeo. I remember the day. I had respect and admiration for him, from that day forward. He made an impression on all who knew him, one that will not be forgotten and always be cherished.

With dearest sympathy,

Jarrett McGraw

Jarrett McGraw - July 27, 2020 at 01:47 PM

HB

“ Holly And Rob Branham lit a candle in memory of Juel V. Afdahl



Holly and Rob Branham - July 27, 2020 at 12:32 PM

LM

“ Such an amazing teacher who brought out the best in every one. You will be missed Juel. Sending thoughts and prayers to the family.



Soraya and Liz Moore

Liz and Soraya Moore - July 27, 2020 at 12:15 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Juel V. Afdahl.*



July 23, 2020 at 12:34 AM



“ *I am like many others are saddened by the loss of Juel, God Bless you, Tami and the boys. He was a huge positive presence in our high school and in youth rodeo.*

billy bates - July 22, 2020 at 03:52 PM



“ *RIP, dear cousin, and I wish strength to your family.*

Curt (Renee) Afdahl.

Curt Afdahl - July 18, 2020 at 12:59 AM



“ *Jeul's smile tells it all. He lived by example and was a true friend to all who knew him.*

Howard & Karin Eisenhauer



Karin Eisenhauer - July 16, 2020 at 11:56 AM

KG

“ Kyle And Amy Gunderson lit a candle in memory of Juel V. Afdahl



Kyle and Amy Gunderson - July 15, 2020 at 11:47 AM

LC

“ Love and prayers for comfort from San Angelo, TX.



Linda and Gene Cole

Linda Cole - July 11, 2020 at 05:39 PM

DA

“ Dr. Tom Armstrong and Jean Armstrong purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Juel V. Afdahl.



Dr. Tom Armstrong and Jean Armstrong - July 11, 2020 at 01:51 PM

JR

“ We'll sure miss Juel and send our love to all of you. Jennifer and Bill

jennifer reffalt - July 09, 2020 at 10:54 PM

CC

“ *What a man of integrity. Rest easy, Mr. Afdahl! You'll be missed by many.*

Cedric Cooper

Cedric Cooper - July 09, 2020 at 10:37 PM

DY

“ *Darin Yates lit a candle in memory of Juel V. Afdahl*



Darin Yates - July 09, 2020 at 05:10 PM

HE

“ *A very special young man, husband, & father whom we held in 'High Regard'.
Our sincere condolences,
Howard & Karin Eisenhauer*



Howard & Karin Eisenhauer - July 09, 2020 at 03:10 PM

CH

“ *2 files added to the album Memories Album*



Carmen Heidler - July 09, 2020 at 02:32 PM

KB

“ As technology director from 1998 to 2005 I was privileged to work with Juel and find comments about him to be absolutely true. He was a dedicated teacher, co-worker, and a casual friend. Will continue to pray for his family as they work through this difficult time of loss. Heaven's gain but our loss, especially his wife and boys, his family, but also the wider community.

Kay A. Boston - July 09, 2020 at 02:02 PM

KM

“ Our deepest sympathy to all. May you be blessed with the love and support of family and friends. Juel was a top notch cowboy. Enjoyed watching him grow up in the arena!
Kathy & Harv McPherson & The Tibbs Kids

Kathy McPherson - July 09, 2020 at 11:23 AM

WE

“ Juel was a hell of a cowboy that has a special place in heaven. May Juel rest in peace now.

wanda ellefson - July 09, 2020 at 10:32 AM

JJ

“ Jessica Jones lit a candle in memory of Juel
V. Afdahl



Jessica Jones - July 09, 2020 at 09:48 AM

TR

“ *Trudyslagowski lit a candle in memory of Juel V. Afdahl*



trudyslagowski - July 09, 2020 at 08:58 AM

KM

“ *Karen & Marty McKee lit a candle in memory of Juel V. Afdahl*



Karen & Marty McKee - July 09, 2020 at 08:20 AM

KF

“ *I will always remember how much Juel and his family help me out when I was attending college in Torrington. Not only did they let me rope at their place but they welcomed me into their home for many meals. I will never forget what a generous and great man Juel Afdahl was*

Kean Edwards Family - July 09, 2020 at 12:03 AM

BG

“ *Bobbi Kay Giles lit a candle in memory of Juel V. Afdahl*



Bobbi Kay Giles - July 08, 2020 at 11:36 PM

TZ

“ *What a wonderful man, exceptional Dad, husband and friend to all he met. His kindness and willingness to help all will be forever etched in my mind. I am grateful to have known and be encouraged by his strength and faith. My love to all of you! Terry Zink*

Terry Zink - July 08, 2020 at 11:34 PM

CK

“ *So sorry for your loss. Our prayers and thoughts are with you. Juel is at peace. No more pain and suffering.*



Cheryl & Steve Keller - July 08, 2020 at 10:24 PM

MG

“ *Juel was truly one of the best men I have ever had the pleasure to call my friend and teacher. Words truly cannot describe the light you shone into other's lives.*



Makenna Greenwald - July 08, 2020 at 08:32 PM

DS

“ *David. & Sherryl Short lit a candle in memory of Juel V. Afdahl*



David. & Sherryl Short - July 08, 2020 at 07:27 PM

DS

“ *Dave & Sherryl Short lit a candle in memory of Juel V. Afdahl*



Dave & Sherryl Short - July 08, 2020 at 07:20 PM

CV

“ *RIP cousin.*



Crystal VanSickle - July 08, 2020 at 07:15 PM

MD

“ *Our sincere sympathy to the Afdahl Family! May the Lord comfort you during this difficult time. God Bless you all!*



Mel and Marcia Dutton - July 08, 2020 at 06:57 PM

VF

“ *Juel always had a big smile and a friendly hello when we would see him. He will be missed by all that knew him. He touched many lives with his kindness. Prayers and thoughts to the Afdahl family. RIP cowboy!!*



Vaughan Family - July 08, 2020 at 05:23 PM



“ *Mary Hoffine lit a candle in memory of Juel V. Afdahl*



Mary Hoffine - July 08, 2020 at 05:03 PM

TF

“ *The Vaughan Family lit a candle in memory of Juel V. Afdahl*



The Vaughan Family - July 08, 2020 at 05:01 PM

RP

“ *Reid & Sherry Palmer lit a candle in memory of Juel V. Afdahl*



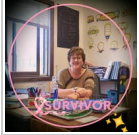
Reid & Sherry Palmer - July 08, 2020 at 04:55 PM

EV

“ *Eve Vavra lit a candle in memory of Juel V. Afdahl*



Eve Vavra - July 08, 2020 at 04:45 PM



“ Sincere sympathy to the Afdahl family from the Hanzlik family. Our prayers are with you. .



Theresa Hanzlik - July 08, 2020 at 03:58 PM

PG

“ We are so sorry to hear of Juel's passing. We have many fond memories of him and his family at all the rodeos when he was in high school. We wish you all God' peace and comfort at this time. From the Gary Gilbert family.



Phyllis Gilbert - July 08, 2020 at 03:46 PM

CH

“ What a wonderful young man he was. We were so happy to have him spend time with us. He was just one of those people that everyone loved. Corky and him were such good friends but our younger kids just loved him too. He was always kind, happy, considerate, helpful, and genuine. We loved him like he was one of our own. He seemed to like to come out and spend time here in the arena when all the kids were roping or what ever they were doing. You didn't have to spend very long with Juel to have a lasting impression, and it was always a good impression. I can't imagine how you all will miss him, but Gods blessings on all of you. Many you all find peace and comfort. God bless you all.



Carmen Heidler - July 08, 2020 at 03:45 PM

TA

“ *Traci Ackerman lit a candle in memory of Juel V. Afdahl*



Traci Ackerman - July 08, 2020 at 03:15 PM

CB

“ *My sincere condolences to the entire family. May the Lord wrap Juel in His loving arms and take him home. May He wrap his arms around the family for comfort.*

Charlie Longbrake Bradshaw - July 08, 2020 at 03:10 PM



“ *Prayers for all the Afdahl family in this time of great loss.*

Stephen Lutz - July 08, 2020 at 02:38 PM

LO

“ *Lisa Owens lit a candle in memory of Juel V. Afdahl*



Lisa Owens - July 08, 2020 at 02:33 PM

LO

“ *So very sorry for your loss. May God comfort and care for you all.*

LoAnn Outhier - July 08, 2020 at 01:42 PM

DA

“ *Debbie Allan lit a candle in memory of Juel V. Afdahl*



Debbie Allan - July 08, 2020 at 12:55 PM

RD

“ *I enjoyed having Juel in church school. We did the Last Supper and He thought it was alright that the girls played Apostles but not Jesus. We drew for the part between the boys and he was pick for Jesus. What a wonderful group of kids to work with. What a great memory and gift to work with them. I'm so sorry for your lost, God gained a good soul.*

Rita Duck - July 08, 2020 at 12:47 PM

TH

“ *So many memories of summers at ropings, playdays and horse shows at the H & M arena when Juel spent so much time at Nonabelles growing up. My thoughts and prayers are with the Afdahl family.*

Tela Hutchison - July 08, 2020 at 12:33 PM

AR

“ *When my husband and I ranned in Lingle Juel was our farrier. I looked forward to our visits he was quite the young gentlemen, very positive and his smile alone made my husband and I smile.
Prayers for the family and community.
God Bless
Ed Raezer,Angela Raezer*



Angela Raezer - July 08, 2020 at 12:24 PM

DG

“ *Sending thoughts and prayers to Joel's family. So very sorry for your loss. Just know he has the arms of Jesus wrapped around him and is now pain free. Treasure your many memories.*



Dave and Judy Gano - July 08, 2020 at 12:22 PM

SA

“ *Thinking of you all! He was a wonderful guy!*



Sarena Assmann - July 08, 2020 at 12:12 PM

CC

“ *Cathy Caines lit a candle in memory of Juel V. Afdahl*



Cathy Caines - July 08, 2020 at 12:11 PM

LG

“ *Lance And Nancy Griggs lit a candle in memory of Juel V. Afdahl*



Lance and Nancy Griggs - July 08, 2020 at 12:07 PM

KO

“ *Juel was a class act and will be missed by all who had the chance to know him. Know that all the family is in our thoughts and prayers at this time. Kim (Pederson) Olson*



Kim Olson - July 08, 2020 at 11:52 AM

SD

“ *Sue Davis lit a candle in memory of Juel V. Afdahl*



Sue Davis - July 08, 2020 at 10:02 AM

MP

“ *Mary Perkins lit a candle in memory of Juel V. Afdahl*



Mary Perkins - July 08, 2020 at 12:38 AM

TD

“ *Teri And Doug lit a candle in memory of Juel V. Afdahl*



Teri and Doug - July 07, 2020 at 05:47 PM

TN

“ *Sending prayers to the entire Afdahl family. I always enjoyed talking with Juel when he would come to our center and check on his CRT students. He will be missed. He was a kind and gentle man.*

Tonya Nepper - July 07, 2020 at 05:30 PM

TR

“ *Theil Ryan lit a candle in memory of Juel V. Afdahl*



Theil Ryan - July 07, 2020 at 02:29 PM

SH

“ *Scherri Hacker lit a candle in memory of Juel V. Afdahl*



Scherri Hacker - July 07, 2020 at 01:35 PM