



## Robert Gurney

March 28, 1940 - June 20, 2010

TORRINGTON, WY.....Funeral services for ROBERT JESSE GURNEY, 70, will be held on Friday June 25, 2010 at 10am at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in Torrington, Wyoming with Bishop Richard Nelson officiating. Interment will follow with horse-drawn carriage to Valley View Cemetery. Visitation hours will be at the Colyer Funeral Home Chapel from 4-7pm on Thursday. Robert passed away on June 20, 2010 in Cody, Wyoming. Arrangements are under the direction of the Colyer Funeral Home and friends are invited to send condolences to the family at [www.colyerfuneralhome.com](http://www.colyerfuneralhome.com). He was born in a small home in Torrington, Wyoming to Earl and Lura (Herdon) Gurney on March 28, 1940, the oldest of six children. Robert grew up on a farm in Yoder, Wyoming where his family homesteaded. His love for nature and the wild outdoors brought him to work for the Wyoming Game and Fish for thirty-five years, where he worked as a Wildlife Biologist. His job took him all over the state of Wyoming, from Jackson Hole, to Lovell and back home to Torrington where he retired in 1993. After his retirement he worked for the Goshen County School District as a bus driver. He married Martha Thompson on September 23, 1962 in Wheatland, Wyoming. They started their family right away having three biological children and adopting four more throughout the years, and numerous foster children in between. Robert was an active member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, and camping with his many friends and family. Robert also enjoyed working with the Boy Scouts. He has traveled across the

US and many places internationally. Robert loved his multi-cultural family and grandchildren, and spent his life dedicated to his family. Survivors include his wife, Martha Gurney and his seven children: Rob, Rick, Rusty, Jason, Leslie Gurney-Perez, Alisa Gurney-Tafoya, and David Gurney, fourteen grandchildren: Robbie and Andrea Gurney of Torrington, Justin and Jeremy Gurney of Yuba City, CA, Laurie Gurney of Torrington, Jaylene Gurney of Washington, Joey, Samantha, Daniel and Cesar of Scottsbluff, NE, and Robert, Rio, Regan, and Reno of Las Cruces, NM. He is also survived by his four brothers and sisters: Frank, Frances, John, and Beverly, many cousins' nieces, and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and his sister Claudia.

# Tribute Wall

MB

“ I'm so sorry that I've just now found out about Roberts's passing. Him and Marty took in my brother when i was little and cared for him during family hardship and treated him as he was part of the family. They will always be our family too however far away they me be. The best of people I've ever known.. Rick my lifelong Brother and Friend whom I've lost contact with I hope too find again someday....

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**Monte Bradshaw** - June 23, 2024 at 04:02 PM

NJ

“ We have had the pleasure of knowing your daughter Alisa and her wonderful family in Las Cruces. Mr. Gurney must have been a caring man to have raised such a caring, special daughter. Please know that your family is in our prayers during this difficult time.

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**Nathan & Suzi Jeffers** - June 20, 2010 at 12:00 AM

GH

“ marty and family....it is with great sorrow that i write this....bob was a wonderful man and a very dear friend to my father...your kindness along with bobs was extended to myself and family on many ocassions....i have so appreciated you all and i continue to pray that God will guide you and bless you in this oh so difficult time.. Gayle, Chapman, and Tiana Hascall

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**gayle hascall** - June 20, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ *Marty and family,*

*We send our deepest sympathy to you. Bob was a wonderful man and such a joy to be around. We know that he is now doing the Lord's work. We are comforted by the gospel and the plan of salvation that we all have the opportunity to be an eternal family. I know you and Bob will be together again someday.*

*We will keep you in our thoughts and prayers during this trying time. If you need anything (even just a chat) please let us know.*

*Love,*

*Kathy and Blaine*

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**Blaine & Kathy Shoopman** - June 20, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DE

“ *Our deepest sympathy to all the family.*

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**Doug & Betty Essert and Leah Essert** - June 20, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KR

“ Dear Marty and family,  
We have had the honor of knowing Bob for a while now. He drove our kids on the bus, Merissa wanted me to give you all a candy bar because she has fond memories of Bob giving her a candy bar! He has always acknowledged our girls when he sees them and they know him. I have known Bob for a while. I will treasure even more now the wagon he built that sets in my yard! What a wonderful person. I will miss seeing him at different events. My condolences go out to you Marty and all of your family. I can't imagine how difficult this time must be. I am sorry I am unable to attend his service. Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. God bless you all. Your friend. Kendal (Babbitt) Richards

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**Kendal Richards** - June 20, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ I'm so sorry to learn of your loss. Please know that you are not alone. God will certainly be with you. He is "the Father of tender mercies" and the "God of all comfort". (2 Corinthians 1:3,4) He will soothe your hearts. Hold His promises near to your heart. Please accept my sincere sympathies.

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**S Ford** - June 20, 2010 at 12:00 AM

GN

“ I have not seen Robert for many years, but I rode the school bus at Yoder with Robert, Frank, and Frances. I remember John as a little boy riding in the car with his mother. I think it must have been John that my youngest son, Jack, met in Fort Collins, Colorado. I did not know any of the other family members, except for Robert's parents. I still drive by the farm where Robert was raised, and remember the Gurney Family. We send out sympathy to the entire family.

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**Garold W. And Theresa L. Newton** - June 20, 2010 at 12:00 AM