



Wayne Lawson Bates

December 5, 1955 - June 19, 2023

No services are planned at this time for WAYNE LAWSON BATES, 67, who died in a motorcycle accident on June 19, 2023. Cremation has taken place. The Colyer Funeral Home assisted the family with the cremation arrangements.

Wayne was born December 5, 1955 in Tucson, Arizona the son of Thomas and Marilyn (Domangue) Bates. He moved a lot with his military family and received his education in those places. He married Sharon Davis and they were later divorced. He joined the US Army and served during Desert Storm. After his discharge he pursued and received his Masters Degree. He then worked for over twenty years in the Scottsbluff, Nebraska school system as a psychologist.

Wayne enjoyed riding motorcycles, hunting rattlesnakes, hunting, fishing, working outdoors doing farmhand work and traveling.

Wayne is survived by a son Thomas (Roxanne) Bates of Central City, Nebraska; two daughters Jessica (R.J.) Pajimola of San Marcos, California and Shannon (Deavion) Schmitt of Dawson, Georgia; a brother Chet (Cheryl) Bates of Bellevue, Nebraska; and five grandchildren Andrew and Isaac Bates of Central City, Kristen and Karisma Pajimola of San Marcos and Karl Thomas Schmitt of Dawson. He was preceded in death by his parents; and two sisters

Kathy Uptegrove and Marilyn Drake.

Tribute Wall

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“ *I dealt with him and he was a gentleman to deal with. I loved hearing all his snake stories. My sister in law worked with him at Scottsbluff. He will be greatly missed. Blair Newman*

Blair Newman - July 17, 2023 at 12:56 PM

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“ *Was a great man to talk to and always friendly when he came in to eat. A dang shame, some lights leave to fast.*

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