



Allen N Taylor

May 22, 1944 - June 7, 2020

Allen "Neil" Taylor passed away at the age of 76 on June 7, 2020 in Cheyenne, Wyoming.

Neil

was born on May 22, 1944 in Hugo, Colorado to parents Ralph and Sarah (Clodfelter) Taylor.

Neil was raised in Karval, Colorado and after graduating from Karval High School attended

Colorado State University. Neil obtained a bachelor degree in Animal Science at CSU.

While attending college, Neil met the love of his life Susan Griffith. The couple were married on

July 27, 1968. They celebrated 41 wonderful years together before her passing in 2009. In the

early years of the marriage Neil worked as a livestock handler and hired hand in Colorado. They

enjoyed traveling to livestock shows. In the early 1970's they set out on an adventure and moved to the Aleutian Islands of Alaska. Neil was hired as the manager of a sheep ranch and

loved to tell stories and show slides of their time in Alaska. While in Alaska in 1972, Neil and

Sue celebrated the birth of their son Todd. The couple moved back to the mainland in 1974 and

settled in for a long and enjoyable life in Wyoming. In 1975, Neil and Sue were given a surprise

when their twin daughters Heidi and Amy were born.

Neil was employed in Laramie, WY for 27 years as a shepherd for the Animal Science Department at the University of Wyoming. During his time in Laramie, he truly enjoyed supporting hundreds of 4-H, FFA, and collegiate livestock judging teams in their attempt to learn

about sheep selection. He enjoyed traveling to local and state fairs as a judge for many sheep

shows. He was heavily involved in Albany county's 4-H program mentoring hundreds of

young people in sheep selection and production. He was the coach of 3 Wyoming state champion wool judging teams and enjoyed traveling to Sonora, Texas for the national contests. After retiring in 2003 Neil and Sue realized the dream of buying their own acreage in Hillsdale, Wyoming. They enjoyed raising Columbia sheep and were members of the Columbia Sheep Association. Neil spent the last year of his life enjoying friends and staff at Whispering Chase Retirement Community in Cheyenne, WY.

Grateful for sharing in his life are his children: Todd (Lynnette) Taylor, Arlington, WI; Heidi (Tracy) Collins, Prairie City, SD; and Amy (Steve) Jungwirth of Kansas City, MO. His grandchildren: Jessica, Hannah, Justin, Hayden (Taylor) and Ross and Shane (Collins).

Sisters:
Alice Parker, Rie Palmer, Mary Simmons, and brother Nelson Taylor.

He was preceded in death by his parents Ralph and Sarah, his wife Sue, and his sister Daisy Parker.

A "Celebration of Life" open house is planned for Sunday July 5, 2020 from 1:00 - 3:00 pm at the Albany County Fairgrounds, Laramie, WY.

Events

JUL **Celebration of Life** 01:00PM - 03:00PM

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Albany County Fairgrounds

Laramie, WY, US, 82072

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“ Todd, Heidi, Amy and families, I am sharing the loss of your dad and granddad along with all of you. As my youngest brother I always watched and marveled at the way he did things, from his pet chicken that came in the house to lay her egg in the basket of corncobs that were used to start the fire in the stove, to his love of sheep and the talent and skill to pick out the very best ewe or ram. We always enjoyed he and your mom coming here when they took a break every six months while in Alaska. Over the past week I have caught myself thinking and going to the phone to call so we could chat awhile and I could check on him as I have done over these last few years and especially the last few months. He is missed. Love to all of you!!! Aunt Alice

Alice Parker - June 19, 2020 at 08:38 PM