



Kyle "Bud" Sperry Jr.

Kyle "Bud" Sperry Jr., 68, was born on July 3, 1941 in Beach, ND, to parents Kyle and Lillian (Russell) Sperry. He was raised on the Sperry ranch at Trotters, ND. He attended school at the CS Divide School where he rode up hill both ways at a trot behind his sister Margie. He attended high school in Beach where he boarded with his sister Bethine. Following high school he worked for various ranchers including: Phil Moore, Kenny Rindahl and Karnes Johnson. Bud also worked the sale days at the Sidney Sales ring. In 1969 he bought his father's cow herd. For 30-plus years Bud worked for the North Dakota Stockmen's Association as a brand inspector, the job his father had. Bud was working at Vernon Goldsberry Ranch when he met Marcia Bonine; 100 days later on November 7, 1971 they were married at Sentinel Butte, ND. They made their home on the ranch where they raised cows, horses, and two boys, Russell and Robert.

In 2004 Bud accomplished his lifelong dream of holding his first Sperry horse sale with his son, Robert and his nephew, Michael Uetz. In 2006 Bud was honored by the American Quarter Horse Association for registering horses for 30 years.

Bud loved rodeo, whether it was competing or supporting his boys. His grandchildren were the twinkle in his eyes. He enjoyed his trips to Texas playing with his granddaughters, Reese and Rylan. He loved working the chute, feeding the horses or just sharing a bowl of ice cream with Kolby Kyle. His best days were spent a horseback, helping his friends and neighbors at Spring brandings and Fall shipping. His community meant a lot to him. Bud would quote from Vernon, "Ya gotta work as hard as ya play." Bud loved his life on the ranch, including the jobs of haying and fencing. He enjoyed his cows but had a passion for horses. Holidays were one of his favorite times to see his family and catching up. He cherished his family. Bud loved and served his Lord. He left a Legacy of Love.

Kyle "Bud" Sperry Jr. died on Thursday, March 18, 2010 at his home in Trotters, ND.

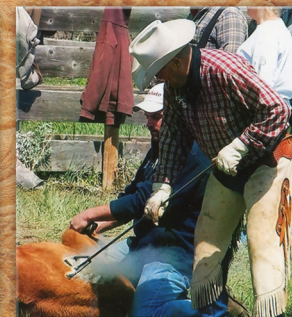
Bud is survived by: his wife of 38 years, Marcia, Trotters, ND; sons, Russell (Stephanie) Sperry, Rising Star, TX, Robert (Tamra) Sperry, Trotter, ND; grandchildren, Reese and Rylan Sperry both of Rising Star, TX, Kolby Kyle Sperry, Trotters, ND; and sisters, Bethine Sperry, Beach, ND, Shirley (Charles) Uetz, Beach, ND, Margie (George) Kronschnabel, Casper, WY.

Bud was preceded in death by his parents and sister, Betty Jean Smith.



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Cowboy Life

I've met a heap o' cowboys,
and some was real top hands.

I saw a million cattle,
and read a lot o' brands.

I've seen some hard old winters,
when nearly all the cattle died.

I've rode some cutting horses that could
turn right out their hides.

I ate my share o' beefsteak,
and drunk some whiskey, too.

And did a little dancin',
with nothin' else to do.

Been bucked off old outlaws that I
couldn't start to ride.

An' saw some fine old buddies
go over the Great Divide.

With friends and family now
I'm making my last stand.

An' hoping to be horseback
when I reach the Promised Land.

Author Unknown



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Funeral Service:

Tuesday, March 23, 2010, 11:00 am
St. Matthew's Catholic Church, 310 7th St SE, Sidney, MT

Officiating:

Fr. Greg Staudinger and Fr. Ned Shinnick

Casket Bearers:

Lynn Weishaar, Jerry Houle, Doug Mosser,
Allen Gasho, Walton VanDyke, Galen Riedlinger

All of Bud's family, friends and neighbors are considered
honorary pallbearers.

Ushers:

Fred Roedeske, Joel Erickson, Cliff Dahl

Special Music:

Sharon Whited, Larry Riggs and Robin Heck

Readers:

David Armstrong and George Kronschnabel

Eulogy:

Melvin and Luella Leland

Eucharistic Minister:

Adam Maus

Announcements:

Following the service, the family invites
you to join them at St. Matthew's
Multi-Purpose Building for fellowship
and lunch. Interment to follow the
gathering. Fellowship will continue
after interment at the Leland
Ranch north of the cemetery.

Interment:

Sunnyside Cemetery,
Trotters, ND

Arrangements:

Fulkerson Funeral Home,
Sidney, MT

