



John Lloyd Metcalf Jr.

September 9, 1937 - December 18, 2023

John “Slim” Lloyd Metcalf Jr. passed away on December 18, 2023. Lloyd was born in Drake, ND on September 9th, 1937 to Hilda (Samuel) and Lloyd Metcalf Sr. Lloyd’s dad worked on a threshing crew and was away for the first 10 months of Lloyd’s life. Hilda waited for Lloyd Sr. to return before she actually named Lloyd. As Lloyd grew up, people started to call him Tex so he would have some distinction from his dad. He attended school in a one room school house in Trotters, he was the only boy. He later went into Beach for high school where he graduated 1955.

In 1957, Lloyd laid eyes on Virginia Scott at a dance and was persistent to gain her affection. His persistence finally won and they were married December 14th, 1957. David, Daniel, Elizabeth and Tamara came along in short order. Loreen and Estella came a few years later to complete the family. Through life’s ups and downs Lloyd and Virginia clung to each other, celebrating 66 years of marriage this year.

Lloyd enjoyed the outdoors; fishing and hunting were two of his favorite pastimes. He also spent a lifetime looking for and collecting agates. He loved to show off his finds. Lloyd took great pride in being a heavy equipment operator. He traveled frequently and was instrumental in building many of the roads in Medora, The Bears Den and interstate roads in the area. One of his most treasured experiences was getting to work for Red Adair fighting one of the biggest oilfield fires of its time. He often regretted turning down the opportunity to travel the world and work with Red Adair.

Lloyd worked for Highball, Suhr, LP Anderson and finally Prince Inc. until his retirement. If not for his failing health, Lloyd probably would've been in a piece of equipment until his final days. In retirement he bought and collected machinery to help fill the void of not being able to work.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Lloyd Sr and Hilda Metcalf; In-laws Archie and Estella Scott; Brother Larry Metcalf; Sister Darlene Haverluk; Son David Metcalf and 3 Son in-laws Dale Hajek, Clyde Nichols, and Red Whitney. Survivors include his wife, Virginia; Children Daniel Metcalf, Elizabeth (Roger) Post, Tamara Metcalf, Estella Metcalf and Loreen Hajek all of Glendive; 20 grandchildren, countless great-grandchildren; Sister- in-laws Sandy Metcalf, Viola Anderson, brother-in-law Alvin Scott and numerous other family members.

A Memorial Service will be at 2:00 PM on Saturday, January 6, 2024 at the Church in the Heights in Glendive with Pastor John Corder officiating.

Interment will be in the Dawson County Cemetery in Glendive. Silha Funeral Home of Glendive has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Remembrances and condolences can be shared with the family at: www.silhafuneralhomes.com.

Cemetery Details

Dawson County Cemetery

Corner of North Sargent Ave. and East Allard
Street
Glendive, MT 59330

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JAN 6. 2:00 PM (MT)

Church in the Heights
201 Cooke Street
Glendive, MT 59330

Tribute Wall

DE

“ Dawn Mark Egan lit a candle in memory of John Metcalf



Dawn and Mark Egan - January 16, 2024 at 09:28 PM

DJ

“ Hold onto your special memories. They will help you through.



Dixie Justice - January 06, 2024 at 05:28 PM



“ 48 files added to the album Life Tributes



Silha Funeral Home - January 05, 2024 at 01:00 PM

BT

“ *Metcalf Family I'm sorry for your loss! Losing a parent is never easy no matter how old we are!*

RIP

Becky (Chouinard) Tipton

Becky Tipton - December 23, 2023 at 10:42 PM

GK

“ *Grace Koffler lit a candle in memory of John Metcalf*



Grace Koffler - December 21, 2023 at 08:20 AM

SS

“ *So sorry to hear of all's loss. Slim was a very likeable guy.*



Sue Nentwig Schwindt - December 20, 2023 at 08:11 PM

BD

“ *Bob Jodi Dobson sent a virtual gift in memory of John Metcalf*



Bob and Jodi Dobson - December 20, 2023 at 05:21 PM

AS

“ I'm so sorry to hear about your husband, dad, and grandpa. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Annie Utgaard Schafer - December 19, 2023 at 02:46 PM

SM

I've known Slim since the early 70's and worked with and learned from him for many years. He was a good friend and will certainly be missed.

Scott Mills - December 19, 2023 at 11:18 PM

DB

He was a friend of the Byron family for many years. He will be missed.
RIP. Slim

Dennis and Cindi Byron - December 20, 2023 at 08:22 PM