



Leo Hill

August 28, 1946 - August 6, 2005

Leo Francis Hill, age 58, of Glendive, passed away on Tuesday, August 2, 2005 at the Eastern Montana Veterans Home in Glendive following a lengthy illness. Vigil Service will be held at 7:00 p.m., Friday, August 5, 2005 in the Chapel of the Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home in Glendive. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10:00 a.m, Saturday, August 6, 2005 in the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Glendive with Father Joseph Ponessa officiating. Rite of Committal with military honors, will be in the Dawson County Cemetery in Glendive. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Glendive is entrusted with arrangements. Leo was born on August 28, 1946 in Glendive, Montana, the son of John Francis and Helen (Anderson) Hill. Raised and educated in Glendive, he graduated from Dawson County High County School with the Class of 1964. He attended Dawson Community College for two years before serving in the U. S. Army in Vietnam as a helicopter mechanic. Upon his discharge, Leo and Joni Larsen were united in Marriage on August 9, 1969, at St. Peter's Church in Wibaux, Mt. Leo graduated from Montana State University in Bozeman with a Bachelor's degree in Animal Science which was so very appropriate because of his love of animals and the outdoors. Upon graduation, he returned to Glendive and ranched southeast of Glendive and was also employed by Northwest Protective Coating of Glendive. In his younger years, he started and trained horses for use on the ranch. His favorite horse was Wasp, which only he could ride. As a young man, Leo was a rodeo cowboy participating in bareback and bull riding events. He was an avid

sportsman and hunter. Leo was a member of VFW and the Glendive American Legion. During his son's (Jon, Jakin, and JJ) high school sports careers, he rarely missed a game. With his Red Devil's hat, he could usually be found on the sidelines cheering them on to victory. In his later years, he could be seen around town on visits with his loyal canine companion, Jeff. Many of Leo's most memorable and priceless moments were spent with his grandchildren. Leo is survived by his wife, Joni, of Glendive; his four children, Jon Hill and fiancée, Sassy Miller of Sitka, Alaska, Leigh Hill-Wittenberg and her husband, Chad, of Dickinson, North Dakota, Jakin Hill and JJ Hill, both of Bozeman, Montana; seven siblings, Veronica Witkowski and her husband, Jimmy, of Wibaux, Sarah Johnson and her husband, Gary, of Jamestown, North Dakota, Carroll Hill and her husband, Bob Cromwell, of Vancouver, Washington, Patti Hill of Glendive, Annie Feist and her husband, Gary, of Glendive, Mike Botch of Glendive, and Dean Botch and his wife, Joelene, of Ballantine, Montana; his three grandchildren, Allyssa, Riley, and Aidan who lovingly called him Papa. He was anxiously awaiting the arrival of his fourth grandchild. He is also survived by his Aunt Veronica Cavanagh and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

Tribute Wall



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