



## Rodney Thomas McCabe

March 2, 1946 - February 21, 2016

Rodney Thomas McCabe, age 69, of Glendive, Montana, passed away on Sunday, February 21, 2016 at his home in Glendive after a long battle with Emphysema. Memorial Services will be held at 2:00 P.M. on Monday, February 29, 2016 at the First Congregational Church in Medicine Lake, Montana with Pastor Tim Hutslar officiating. A Private Family Interment will be in the Homestead Cemetery in Homestead, Montana. Silha Funeral home of Glendive has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Rodney was born to Tom and Hope (Brodsho) McCabe on March 2, 1946. He was raised on the family farm near Homestead. He attended school at Medicine Lake where he was active in football, basketball, and track. He was especially proud of his track accomplishments and loved to relive the glory days with everyone that would listen. Rodney graduated from Medicine Lake high school with the class of 1964. After graduation he enlisted in the Montana National Guard and also attended Montana State University for a short time before returning home to the farm to work with his parents and brothers. He took great pride in helping his father and brothers build and expand the farming operation. In 1973, he married Sharon Granning, and to that union they had two children, Todd on September 18, 1975 and Misty on December 18, 1976. Later it ended in divorce in 1983,.

In 1983, Rodney quit farming and started his life on the road, driving truck and custom harvesting. Truck driving took Rodney all across the country, until 2002 when he came home to eastern Montana. He spent the rest of his life

helping his son, Todd, build his own operation, as his heart was always in a wheat field.

As his parents aged he moved to Glendive. Following his father's passing in 2005, Rodney took great pride in driving "Miss Daisy" and taking over the breakfast duties and going to coffee with Hope, which he thoroughly enjoyed as he was known for his "gift of gab".

Rodney enjoyed helping Todd with the farming and helping his brothers whenever he was needed. He became affectionately known as the "Old Man" by Todd and his crew. He was the master grain cart driver and parts runner. As the boys would say "he was better than the UPS man". Rod always had food, pop, and beer in his pickup for the boys in the field and cucumbers and sweet corn for Todd's wife, Kara.

Rod enjoyed sports, especially NFL Football and the Broncos. He had the opportunity to take a trip to Denver with Todd, Mitch and Nate to watch his Broncos beat the Raiders. He never missed an opportunity to bet with his grandson Nate and seemed to always pay up no matter the result of the game. His greatest joys in his life were his grandchildren whom he adored and loved to spoil anytime he had a chance. Rod's greatest joys later in life was just sitting in his pickup and driving around checking the crops, smoking cigarettes, and BS'ing with the neighbors or anyone who had the time to visit. He never passed a used car, machinery dealership, auction sale, or a for sale sign without looking for the next "good deal".

Dad will always be remembered for his almost daily phone calls to his kids saying, "Just checking up on ya."

He is preceded in death by his parents Tom and Hope McCabe, niece Deanna McCabe, and nephew Landon McCabe.

Left here to miss him are his two children, Todd (Kara) McCabe and Misty (Mitchell) Overby; the six highlights of his life, Paige, April, Autumn, and Conn McCabe and Aislinn and Nate Overby; four brothers, Dean (Jan), Paul (Janet), Jim (Rebecca), Brad (Ronnette); nieces, Kathy McCabe, Jenny Garrouette and Megan Winfrey; and nephews, Ben Keysor, Brian, Mike, Mark,

Matt, and Alex McCabe.

Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at: [www.silhafuneralhomes.com](http://www.silhafuneralhomes.com).

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

FEB **29**. 2:00 PM (MT)

First Congregational Church  
Medicine Lake, MT

# Tribute Wall



“ Rodney Thomas McCabe

December 07, 2022 at 04:10 PM



“ Sorry to see the news about your brother. He is with God now and he'll be waiting for you some day.

Linda Comfort - March 04, 2016 at 02:28 AM



“ Condolences to the family and friends of Rodney.

*Occasionally, when Rodney was trucking and traveling through Bismarck, he would call and chat for a few minutes. The conversation usually centered around of the birth of a grandchild or some milestone that a grandchild had accomplished. He should did love his grandchildren! He was one proud grandpa!*

*My prayer for the family is: " Dear Lord, Please wrap your arms around those who are hurting, let them feel your love and be comforted in your arms. Amen."*

*Kathy Waller Stahl*

Kathy Stahl - February 27, 2016 at 04:42 PM



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“ *Dean, Jan, Mike, Jenny, Ben, Megan & families. purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Rodney Thomas McCabe.*



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**Dean, Jan, Mike, Jenny, Ben, Megan & families.** - February 27, 2016 at 12:42 PM

KS

“ *My condolences to the family and friends of Rodney.*

*When Rodney was trucking and traveling through Bismarck, he would call and we would chat for few minutes. Usually, it was to tell me that he had a new grandson or a granddaughter! He was very proud of his grandchildren!*

*"Dear Lord, Wrap your arms around those who are hurting today, let them feel your love and be comforted in your arms. Amen"*

*Kathy Waller Stahl*

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**Kathy Stahl** - February 26, 2016 at 08:53 PM

DS

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. I am a part of the graduating class of '64. Rodney and I attended all twelve years at Medicine Lake School together. I have many fond and humerous memories as classmates. I am so thankful we got to see him at our class reunion last June! These recent years must have been very difficult for him. May he rest in peace and God be with his family.*  
*Donna (Hancock) Stanford*

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**Donna Stanford** - February 26, 2016 at 08:28 PM

CA

“ Todd, Kara and Family, So very sorry to hear of the passing of your Dad, our thoughts and prays are with all the family. Boone and Caron

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**Caron** - February 26, 2016 at 02:21 PM

RO

“ Rod! From a friend living across the street from each other during the years in the mid 80's in Sidney.....Rest in peace my friend.....Robert Beason Billings Montana

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**robert** - February 26, 2016 at 08:27 AM

LH

Always a friend and such a great cousin! He came to my rescue more than once! We shared high school days and memories. He will be missed by many of us. So sorry for your loss. Lois Nelson now Hughes

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**lois hughes** - February 28, 2016 at 09:58 PM