



Ray W. Morris

Ray William Morris passed away on August 21, 2022, at 77 years of age at The Platte County Memorial Hospital in Wheatland, Wyoming.

He was born September 6, 1944, in Saratoga, WY to Joe and Joyce (Gaynon) Morris. Ray graduated from Encampment High School in 1962. After high school he worked on the Saulcey Ranch in Encampment.

In August of 1966, Ray moved to Wheatland, to become a Wyoming Brand Inspector and start a ranch, where he enjoyed raising cattle. He left the Wyoming Brand Inspector job briefly to pursue his love of the ranch lifestyle and ran the King and 31 Bar Ranch for several years.

On July 6, 2003, Ray married Frankie and moved back down to the flats where he returned to brand inspecting and they continued raising cattle and training dogs.

Ray is survived by his wife, Frankie (Gano) Morris and his blended family of four children: Zane (Erin) Morris of Wheatland, WY; Jill (Patrick) Tyler of Lombard, IL; Justin [Sharman] Miller of Apache Junction, AZ; Amy (David) Windmeier of Wheatland, WY, and multiple grandchildren.

Ray was preceded in death by his parents, Joyce G. Morris (December 26, 1975) and Joseph H. Morris Sr. (May 25, 1989) and brother Joseph "Sonny" Morris Jr. (February 19, 2022).

Ray enjoyed being a rancher most of all and spending time on the wide-open range riding his horse and overseeing cattle. For fun, he enjoyed going to steer roping's. He also had a boot barn for many years where he fixed worn out boots or farm shoes to help them last a little bit longer. He enjoyed his time with Frankie helping her with her dogs.

Ray will be honored with a celebration of life service on August 27, 2022, from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM at the Agriplex (4H Building) in Wheatland.

Honorary pallbearers are his family and friends.

In lieu of flowers, memorials would be appreciated by the family to the Wyoming State FFA Foundation.