



## Jimmy Bullock

June 9, 1940 - March 9, 2012

A lifetime of loving family and friends has been the greatest reward for Jimmy Deryl Bullock, whose life on Earth ended on March 9, 2012 at home in Belgrade Montana surrounded by his family. He had survived over thirty years of cardiac disease which had resulted in his having several heart surgeries and a heart transplant in 1994. In later years he also struggled with cancer. Bullock was seventy 71years old having been born on June 9, 1940 on a farm in Portales, New Mexico to David Houston Bullock and Ruth May Riley Bullock. He was preceded in death by his son, Brent, in September, 2009; two brothers, Arlos Houston Bullock and Billie Riley Bullock and both parents, Houston and Ruth Bullock. In June of 1962, he married Loretta House Bullock who survives him in Belgrade, Montana. He is also survived by his daughter Kelly and her husband Mark Moon of Colonial Beach, Virginia; and a son, Andrew Bullock and his wife Sabrina Simmons Bullock of Belgrade, Montana. Grandchildren include Caleb Ryno of Albuquerque, New Mexico and his wife Heather; Keifer Ryno of Harper, Texas; Houston, Wyatt, and Bailey Bullock of Roswell; and Lauren, Ethan, and Emilea Bullock of Belgrade, Montana. He is further survived by his siblings Dwayne Bullock and Carla Bullington, a sister-in-law Neva Bullock and several nieces and nephews. Jim grew up in the Portales, New Mexico area and graduated from Portales High School in 1958 and Eastern New Mexico University in 1962. He received a Master of Arts degree from the same institution in 1966. He began a thirty-one year career as an educator at Monterrey Elementary School in Roswell, New Mexico. He

received a teaching-fellowship at Eastern New Mexico University in 1968, and then spent the next six years as principal of Tatum Elementary School in Tatum, New Mexico. During his tenure there, the school was selected as an exemplary school by the New Mexico State Department of Education. Bullock returned to Roswell schools in 1975 where he taught within the program for gifted children as well as regular classrooms at Edgewood Elementary and El Capitan Elementary. He received a national outstanding teacher award from the National Council for Geographic Education on 1983. After retirement from New Mexico schools, Bullock taught at Crockett Elementary in Midland, Texas and four years with Crownpoint Boarding School in Crownpoint, New Mexico.

Bullock was a member of Grace Bible Church in Bozeman, Montana and prior to that a member of Bethel Baptist Church in Roswell, New Mexico. He was a member and volunteer at the Historical Museum of Southeast New Mexico, and a volunteer at Roswell Outreach, a local food bank ministry.

A memorial service will take place in Roswell on Saturday March 24, 2012 at 11A.M. at Bethel Baptist Church, located at 2420 North Garden Ave. A special musical tribute will be provided by Vintage, a group that meant a great deal to Bullock. Honorary pallbearers will include Bullock's special friends, Rob Callaway, Danny Camp, Elvis Fleming, Larry Lethgo and Fidel Sosa.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Jimmy Bullock*

December 29, 2022 at 05:26 PM



“ *Mr. Bullock was my 6th grade teacher at El Capitan and I will never forget him. He made all the children that he taught feel special - important. As an adult I was fortunate enough to be able to visit with Mr. Bullock - (he will always be Mr. Bullock)and he still made me feel special and important. Mr. Bullock will be missed my many. Prayers for the family.*

**Jeannie V. Trujillo - Madsen** - March 25, 2012 at 05:49 PM



“ *Certain teachers make the difference for a child. For me, that teacher was Jim Bullock. He was my 6th grade teacher at El Capitan in Roswell in 1981. To this day, when people ask me who in my educational career was inspirational, my answer is always Jim Bullock. Even in your family's time of loss, I hope you will find comfort in knowing that the educational ripple left by Jim was more like a tidal wave for the kids that he taught. I consider myself blessed to have known him and had him for a teacher.*

**Tony F. Ortiz Jr.** - March 22, 2012 at 07:55 PM



“ *We would like to extend our sympathy to Jim's family. May God grant you comfort and peace in this difficult time. We know Jim now is with his Lord beyond all tears and pain. Your friends at First Baptist Church Roswell*

**First Baptist Church Roswell** - March 22, 2012 at 06:38 PM

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“ There are so many memories of all the Bullock family. In years past when Jim and boys, Mel and Matt and Tomy and boys would go camping. One particular time they got rained on and everything was wet. They laid everything out on bushes to dry, Jim looks around and says "hummm, looks like someones sterno stove blew up". Well that has stuck with this family ever since. When things get a little messy one of us always says "hummm looks like someones sterno stove blew up". Love you guys.

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**Tomy, Donna and Shad Lancaster** - March 22, 2012 at 12:38 PM

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“ What an amazing man! He was a wonderful teacher and an amazing role model!  
My prayers go out to the family!

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**Shelly Mathews Ervin** - March 20, 2012 at 01:46 PM

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“ I am so sorry to hear of the loss of Jim (He will always be Mr. Bullock to me) I cherish all the time I spent with you and the Hardin Family. What fine examples of faith and love you all showed! May God comfort you and hold you near.

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**Elizabeth Crotzer** - March 19, 2012 at 11:59 AM

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“ Well Mr. Bullock is dancing on the streets of gold and running and not running out of breath. Jesus needed another angel to get the Kingdom ready for us. So sorry to hear about your lost my God be With you at this time.

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**Terri (albritton) Odell** - March 17, 2012 at 11:58 PM