



Wayne Peterson

August 16, 1937 - January 17, 2015

A Gathering for Wayne Peterson of Roswell, NM will be from 5:00 to 8:00 PM, Friday, January 23, 2015 at Anderson Bethany Funeral Home.

Heaven got 'em a cowboy when Wayne Peterson left this earth, as we know it, giving cancer the "bird" on Saturday, January 17, 2015 after a lengthy, valiant and hard fought struggle with his son at his side.

Wayne was born August 16, 1937 in Marshall, MO to Joseph and Margaret Peterson, who preceded him in death. He was a very unique and honest man who still believed that a good 'ol fashioned handshake meant a whole lot more than any multi-paged, lawyer conjured-up legal contract. His word was golden, his promises kept, his steps quick, his stature proud, his face weathered. He was always quick with a joke, and even quicker yet with his straight forward, no B.S. opinions about just damn near any topic that was at hand. He firmly believed that all some fellers needed was just a quick dose of good, 'ol fashioned cowboy logic, and lived by his own cowboy way of life until his very last breath. A retired brand inspector for the N.M. Livestock Board, Wayne enjoyed, more than anything, the company of his good friends, and didn't have a problem making friends with strangers and even a couple of "Yankees" as he called them. His friends meant everything to him. He enjoyed fishing, horse racing, driving around the western states in search of the hidden little fishing holes and most of all his award winning show birds. His daily route

around the various eateries in town to visit a spell with his 'ol buddies was precise, almost clockwork like routine. You could definitely set your watch by him and if you were fortunate enough to know him, you knew exactly where to find him by what time in the day it was. That was one of the hardest things on him toward his last days, not being able to get around to meet with his buddies. He loved his country, and would shake his head in dismay many, many times when "them Washington DC sumbishes" would come up with something new to shove down people's throat. He especially missed his 'ol fish'n buddy Dick Estegard, who preceded him in death.

Wayne is survived by his sisters Joyce Frye of Bremerton, WA and Freda Orcutt of Boardman, OR; his son, Bobby "Pete" Peterson, of Roswell, NM and his daughter, Lori Clutter and husband Randy of Maud, OK. He leaves behind his grand-daughter Heather Niday and her husband Brian, her children Elora, David, Kira and Brianna of Roswell, NM, step-grandson Michael Cook, grand-daughter Cassandra Peterson, her son Ryan, grand-daughter Ashlee Richardson and her husband Justin, her children Lacey and Kayson, all of Gardendale, TX and many nieces and nephews.

Wayne was preceded in death by his brothers, Clifford Peterson, Arnold Peterson, and John Peterson.

The family would also like to extend a very heartfelt and special thank you to his niece Beverly Barr and her husband, Ray of Albuquerque, NM; his "extra special" friends, Tammy Oldfield and Jackie Witt; his buddies, Bobby Witchley, Mike Lujan, Marty Torrez, "Doc" Blach, Ray Willis and the entire "Pancake Posse" at Martin's Capital Café. He will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.

In lieu of flowers, Wayne asks that donations be made to the Roswell Assurance Home, which he felt was a very well-needed and highly justified organization within our community.

Tribute Wall



“ *Wayne Peterson*

December 29, 2022 at 05:26 PM



“ *Pete,
I am very sorry on the loss of your Daddy. I will
keep you and your family in my prayers. You're
dad sounded like an awesome guy! Take care.*



Crystal Reed

Crystal Reed - January 23, 2015 at 06:01 PM



“ *Today I say goodbye to my father, my hero, my friend,
please, father, help me deal with this, show me the way,
it was so very hard for me, especially toward the end,
I didn't know what to do, I didn't know what to say,
I did know one thing, this battle you would not win.
I will miss you even more with each passing day,
and I know the day will come when I will see you again,
'Heaven got 'em a cowboy' on that very sad day.*

Rest in peace Dad, this 'Bud' is for you !

Love Ya Pop

Bob Peterson - January 23, 2015 at 12:24 AM



I love it Dad!

Kassie Peterson - January 23, 2015 at 05:07 PM

JB

Excellent Brother!

JR Blair - January 23, 2015 at 09:42 PM

LT

“ Bobby, I am truly sorry for your loss.

Wayne's loyal friendship enriched my life for 30+ years. I carry and will always carry in my heart our great conversations of travel, fishing and the horse racing industry. It was a blessing to know one of the truly "good guys". I will miss him dearly.

Lana Thompson

lana thompson - January 22, 2015 at 07:46 AM

CS

“ *What a loss. He can never be replaced. Wonderful memories of the past running around with Wayne. So sorry for your loss Bobby and Lori*

Cherri Michelet Snyder - January 21, 2015 at 05:35 PM

BB

“ *Well we made it through heart surgery, hip replacement, and two rounds of radiation. Im so sorry it ended this way. My you rest in peace the battle is over. I will miss you. Love Ya Bev*

Beverly Barr - January 20, 2015 at 09:27 PM

AU

“ Audrey sent a virtual gift in memory of Wayne Peterson



Audrey - January 20, 2015 at 01:02 PM

LN

“ Lauri Noling lit a candle in memory of Wayne Peterson



lauri noling - January 20, 2015 at 10:52 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Wayne Peterson.



January 19, 2015 at 08:56 PM

KP

“ Grandpa, Ryan and I miss you dearly. I remember our road trips, our dinner dates and you hanging Ryan from the carport with bungee cords and many other fun times. You were an amazing grandfather and a wonderful inspiration to us all. We love you to heaven and back!



Kassie Peterson - January 19, 2015 at 04:49 PM

PE

Pete, I was honored to know your dad. He was a hell of a man, he will be missed. He could Crack a joke out of no where and make ya bust a gut laughing. He will be missed.

Patrick Esping - January 23, 2015 at 05:04 PM



“ *Mary Wygocki-McClure lit a candle in memory of Wayne Peterson*



Mary Wygocki-McClure - January 19, 2015 at 02:20 PM



“ *I remember Wayne and my 9 day road trip to Yellowstone Park , we laughed all the time. He was a true gentlemen from the first time I met him in 1983. Card games and dinner at my house with my nephew and sister were always fun. I will miss him dearly. Miss and Love you Wayne. Mary Wygocki-Mc Clure.*

Mary Wygocki-McClure - January 19, 2015 at 02:14 PM