

William "Cookie" Knudson

July 7, 1956 - January 21, 2026

KNUDSON, William Xavier

William "Bill" Knudson born July 7, 1956 to Harlan and Patricia (Mahoney) Knudson in Burbank, CA, passed away on Jan. 21, 2026 in Roswell, NM. He grew up in Denver, CO where he began working in the restaurant industry. This passion led him to graduate with his Associates degree from the Culinary Institute of America in Hyde Park, New York. Bill served as Executive Chef and Restaurant Manager in many locations which eventually led him to Roswell where he retired among friends. Whether it was his love of cooking or love of cookies, he earned the nickname "Cookie." Bill is preceded in death by his son Warren Knudson, his parents Harlan and Patty, and siblings Chris and Martha. He will be remembered by his sisters, extended family and friends for his great sense of humor, outstanding food, love of motorcycles and enthusiasm for the Denver Broncos.

Tribute Wall

JM

“ *Janie Mendoza lit a candle in memory of William Knudson* ”



Janie Mendoza - January 28 at 04:52 PM

JR

“ *Jesse, Marlene Rodriguez sent a virtual gift in memory of William Knudson* ”



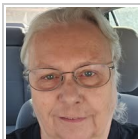
Jesse, Marlene Rodriguez - January 28 at 10:54 AM

CA

“ *cathy lit a candle in memory of William Knudson* ”



cathy - January 27 at 11:31 PM



“ *Hope you and Jesse can hook up in heaven. You were such good friends. R.I.P.* ”

Bones Cooper - January 27 at 10:07 PM

TE

“ Billy (cookie) was my brother. He was always a thrill seeker. He had a VW blue bus & would take me out and make donuts in the snow. It was so fun. That was in Denver where we grew up. Other times we lived on a ranch in California. He had a little Honda 250 & would take me out riding on the back. He would pop these wheelies & one time I almost fell off. Scared the shit out of me but I was laughing all the way home. Yes he was a great brother & will be surely missed. I'm praying that he's up there with God right now. 🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏

Tess - January 27 at 03:45 PM

JE

“ Cookie you were a good friend, rest in peace, m love your

Jane Emblem - January 27 at 01:25 PM

DO

“ I met him back in '05, he used to let me ride his Harley, he had a great sense of humor and he will be greatly missed

Dora - January 26 at 08:38 PM

RA

“ Cookie was a good friend and giving person always had time to cook for events . He loved to ride was a member of the Brotherhood 74 . We had many good memories along with many of our friends at the Variety, liquor and bar. It's been A special place for many of us and we have lost our share of great friends from there. God bless you on your journey cookie RIP and Ride Free . Mongo.

Robert Archuleta—Mongo - January 26 at 04:00 PM