



A Cowboy's Prayer

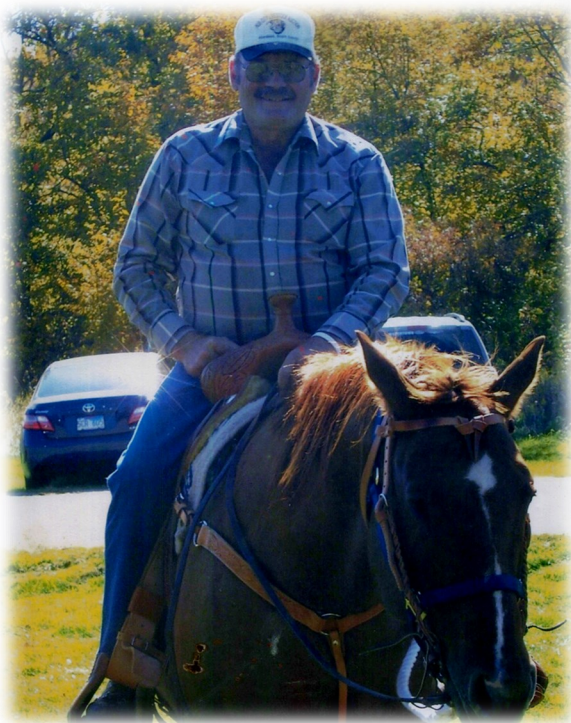
Our Heavenly Father, we pause at this time,
mindful of the many blessings you have bestowed upon us.
We ask, Lord, that you will be with us in the arena of life.

We as cowboys do not ask for special favors.
We don't ask to draw around the chute fighting horse,
the steer that won't lay, or to never break the barrier.

We don't even ask for all daylight runs.
We do ask Lord, that you will help us live our lives
here on earth as cowboys,

in such a manner, that when we make that last
inevitable ride, to the country up there,
where the grass grows lush, green, and stirrup high,
and the water runs cool, clear, and deep,
that you'll take us by the hand and say:

"Welcome to Heaven cowboy, your entry fees are paid."




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Wilbur "Junior" Dunlavy was born January 28, 1944 to parents, Wilbur and Loreta (Abelt) Dunlavy. He was born, raised, and lived on the family farm near Crocker, South Dakota.

Junior graduated from Conde High School in 1962 and joined the National Guard. He was in basic training for 6 months and would go once a month for the next 6-7 years for Guards. On October 8th, 1966, he married the love of his life, Charlene Taylor. They had 4 children, Theresa, Jamie, Darin, and David.

He worked for Steve and Shawn Witt, Hub City Livestock, and Aberdeen Livestock. He was a farmer and a rancher; that was his passion. Junior milked cows and raised cattle and sheep and also enjoyed hunting in the Black Hills; primarily deer, but he even hunted antelope.

Junior was very fond of going to the family reunions and enjoyed playing card games like Hearts, Pitch, and Whist.

He is survived by his daughter, Theresa (Joe Oelke) Dunlavy; son, Darin (Melissa) Dunlavy; siblings, Larry (Viola) Dunlavy, Don (Susan) Dunlavy, Janice (Grant) Hanson, Clara Luvaas, and Darlene (Les) Gross; 9 grandchildren; and 11 great grandchildren.

Junior was preceded in death by his parents; Wilbur and Loreta (Abelt) Dunlavy, 2 sons, Jamie and David Dunlavy; his wife, Charlene (Taylor) Dunlavy, his maternal and paternal grandparents, and brother-in-law Glen Luvaas.



Celebrating the Life of Wilbur 'Junior' Dunlavy

Services from

St. Paul Lutheran Church, Clark, South Dakota
Tuesday, December 28, 2021 at 10:00 AM

Officiant

Reverend Gary Anderson

Music

Wendy Christman - Organist
"Old Rugged Cross" ~processional
"Daddy's Hands" ~recessional

Casketbearers

Charles Hommel	Amber Hommel	Bobbie Jo Külekçoglu
Derik Gaber	Samantha Carey	David Dunlavy
Matthew Hommel	Shayla Dunlavy	Wyatt Dunlavy

Honorary Casket Bearers

Loren Olson	Alan "Tator" Yexley	Steve and Shawn Witt
Paul Haar	Todd Rozell	Mike Fischbach

Interment

Rose Hill Cemetery
Clark, South Dakota

Please join the family for lunch and a time of fellowship in the church basement after the service.

The family of Junior Dunlavy thanks you for your presence here today, for your thoughts, prayers, and other acts of kindness shown to them.

