

Remembering Ron

Ronald Wayne Sibal, 88, passed away on October 17, 2024 in his home at Hot Springs, SD, with family at his side. Ron was born September 21, 1936 in Ogallala, NE, to Joseph F. and Estella Wilson Sibal. He grew up on the family ranch in the sandhills of Arthur, NE. Ronnie, as he was known in his younger years, attended grade school in the country school that his grandfather, John Sibal, helped to get established. He graduated from Arthur County High School in 1955 where he played football and was the homecoming king. He loved to ranch with his Dad and brothers and do a little rodeoing. Ronnie was baptized in the Arthur Baptist Church during his high school years.

In June 1956, he married Emma Larsen and to this union, their daughter, Kelle Jo was born. They would later divorce.

In 1964 Ron ventured to Hot Springs, SD, to start a new life. He married Lora Warner in December 1965 and they had two sons, Richard "Rick" Sibal and Ronald S. Sibal. Later they would divorce. He spent the last 36 years married to Margrethe E. Lively.

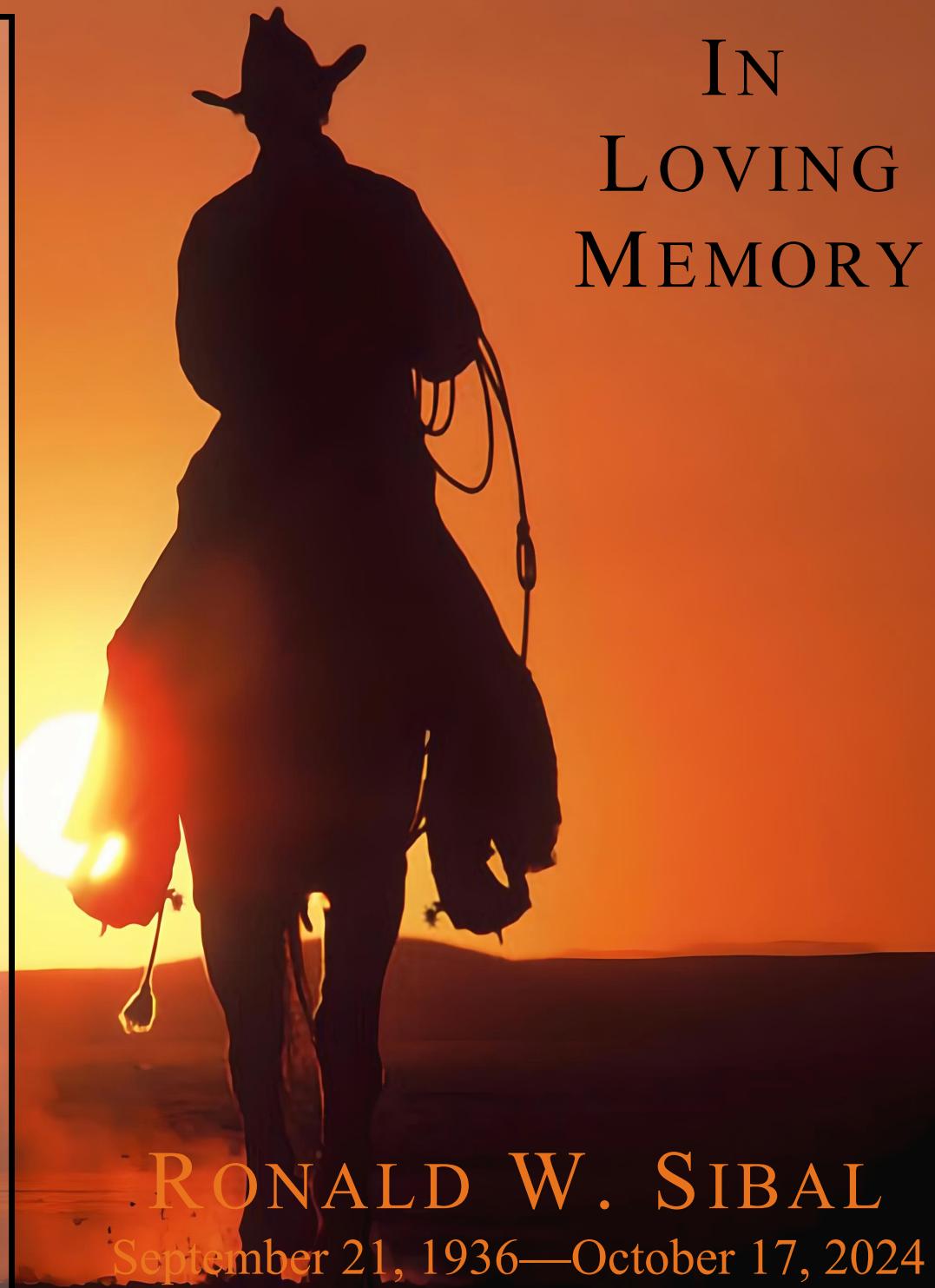
Ron was taught early to always work and work hard he did. His first job out of high school was at Safeway in Ogallala, NE. Throughout his life he worked many jobs, from construction on grain elevators in Nebraska, Oklahoma, and Kansas and truck driving delivering the movie theatre films throughout the Black Hills. And many more jobs in between.

He worked for nearly 25 years at the South Dakota State Veterans Home and retired as Superintendent over Maintenance Department. After retirement he decided he couldn't sit still, so went back to work part-time at a couple hotels in maintenance.

In his retirement he spent time refinishing antique furniture, restoring his Subaru pickup, traveling the Black Hills to Texas in his motor home, maintaining his yard which was his pride and joy and spending many hours just "tinkering" in his garage. He always had something he was working on because he never threw anything away, it could be fixed.

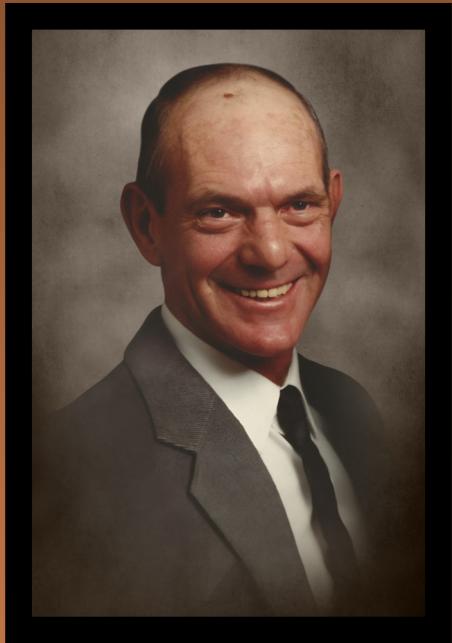
Ron is survived by his wife Margrethe; children, Kelle Sibal Williams of Center, TX; Ronald S. Sibal of Bellevue, NE; Janice (Ross) Sirek of St. Louis, MO; Jim (Shelley) Lively of Hot Springs, SD; Belinda (Greg) Frohman of Hot Springs, SD; Tracy (Denise) Lively of Rapid City, SD; Terry Lively of Colorado Springs, CO; son-in-law, Rob Mason of Hot Springs, SD; grandchildren, Christopher Williams; Melissa (Spencer) Crawford; Sara Sibal; Scotty Sibal; Zach Siba; Michael Sirek; Josh Lively; Jake Lively; Katie Lively; Josie Lively; Billie; Samantha Lyons; Zachara; Ashlee (Ben) Batt; Lindsey Evans; Amber Babb; Belinda Mason; Kirsten Mason; Evan (Megan) Mason; sister-in-laws, Cathleen Sibal; Nancy Sibal; great grandchildren, Dawson Williams; Madison Crawford; Noah Crawford and numerous step great grandchildren.

Ron is preceded in death by his parents; step mother, Oneita Sibal; brothers, Harold Clapp; Frenchie Clapp; Stan Sibal; Pat Sibal; son, Rick Sibal and stepdaughter, Margrethe Mason.



RONALD W. SIBAL

September 21, 1936—October 17, 2024



IN LOVING MEMORY

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Ogallala, Nebraska

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Hot Springs, South Dakota

VISITATION SERVICES

1:00 p.m., Monday, October 21, 2024
Chamberlain McColley's Funeral Home
Hot Springs, South Dakota

FUNERAL SERVICES

2:00 p.m., Monday, October 21, 2024
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OFFICIANT
Josh Lively

SPECIAL MUSIC
"How Great Thou Art"
"Amazing Grace"

PALLBEARERS

Dave Merrill, Christopher Williams,
Zach Sibal, Greg Frohman,
Rob Mason, Evan Mason

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Wayne Harris, Sandy Huddleston
All of Ron's Family

COMMITTAL SERVICES

Evergreen Cemetery
Hot Springs, South Dakota

MEMORIALS

Memorials may be sent to
American Cancer Society

I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God has laid you see.
I took his hand when I heard His call
I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day
To laugh, to love, to work, to play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way
I found the peace at the close of day.

If my parting has left a void
Then fill it with remembered joys-
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss
Oh, yes, these things I too will miss.