



Albert August Reitz Jr

May 11, 1953 - February 17, 2019

Albert August Reitz JR

Albert “Ab” Reitz passed away on February 17, 2019, at his home in Warden, WA. He was born May 11, 1953, in Toppenish, WA to his parents Ila (Couch) Reitz and Albert Reitz SR (both deceased). He was the 2nd eldest of ten children and survived by his sisters Marlene Macken, Linda Reitz Traylor, Pam (Jack) Lepper, Twila (Gilbert) Hernandez, Kerry Reitz, Susie (Kent) Hall, and brother John (Carrie) Reitz and proceeded in death by brother in law Jim Macken, sisters Peggie (ED) Wurzer, and Sharon Reitz. Ab married his first wife Julie (Hardy) Sullivan in 1972 after graduating from Warden High School. Shortly after, they had daughter Stephanie (Teresa) Reitz. He married his 2nd wife, and love of his life Bonnie Reitz Blum in 1983 after adding Cristie Reitz and two daughters Shani Newkirk (Danny Fields) and Kelly (Jared) Scheller. Ab’s four grandchildren Korbin, Brittney, Drake, and Bella were the light of his life and could do no wrong in his eyes.

Throughout his life, Ab was a true cowboy and loved to rodeo. He also raced oval and dirt track, was an avid hunter and fearless fisherman with the best “biggest fish” stories. Ab lived his 65 years the cowboy way and he impacted many lives on his wild ride.

Per Ab’s wishes, there will be no funeral but there will be a “Celebration of Life” on Saturday, March 2nd, 2019 at the Porterhouse at 1-5PM. Further services, to include a BBQ, will be held May 11th, 2019 “Ab’s Birthday” at the Gilbert/Twila Hernandez residence. (Feel free to contact Stephanie or Cristie

for address information)

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 be with us in the arena of life. We as cowboys don't ask for special favors. We don't ask to draw around the shoot fighting horse, the steer that won't lay, or to never break the barrier. We don't even ask for all day light runs, we do ask lord, that you will help us live our lives here on earth as cowboys, in such a way, 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 will take us by the hand and say:

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

Tribute Wall

JS

“ *"Pals"* ”

jack lepper sr - March 06, 2019 at 09:46 AM



“ *A very good and respected man,,,you will be greatly missed but never forgotten,,,Robin Bates* ”

Robin Bates - February 26, 2019 at 12:35 PM

NB

“ *Nora Bowman lit a candle in memory of Albert August Reitz Jr* ”



Nora Bowman - February 25, 2019 at 04:40 PM

JM

“ *Abby was the first person I met at my first day at warden high . I saw this rugged cowboy coming up to me, Welcoming me to warden high! Great person glad I got to reunite with Abby , Vern Lepper after 40 plus years , he will be missed! Sincerely Jay Michel* ”

Jay Michel - February 25, 2019 at 03:18 PM

WS

“ Wendy S. lit a candle in memory of Albert August Reitz Jr



Wendy S. - February 23, 2019 at 11:44 AM

GS

“ Been a long time since Abby and sisters, at that time, came running down that long lane to the school bus on road W S. E. the first time. Ending up as neighbors the last few years. Will miss ya Abby, prayers for all your family ❤️🙏❤️

Gayle Sullivan - February 23, 2019 at 01:55 AM

BF

“ He is a great man and a true meaning of a real friend

Bobby Fenstermaker - February 22, 2019 at 11:25 PM

DM

“ Ab will be truly missed. Memories are what we Are left with. All my love to the Reitz family.



Darlene Millard - February 22, 2019 at 07:41 PM

RB

“ Gonna miss you on Friday nights for pool at Slims !! Love you , Buddy !! <3

Rose Biermann - February 22, 2019 at 06:19 PM

VL

“ *My old friend. So glad we got together on last time.*

Vern Lepper - February 22, 2019 at 01:32 AM

AE

“ *Audrey (Gardner) Entzel lit a candle in memory of Albert August Reitz Jr*



Audrey (Gardner) Entzel - February 21, 2019 at 12:50 AM

CW

“ *u will be very missed!! The Wall Family. our prayers to the family!*

cindy wall - February 20, 2019 at 06:36 PM