



Donnie (Donald) John Michael
1943 - 2018

Donnie (Donald John) Michael, 75, passed away peacefully in his sleep on December 28th, 2018. He was preceded in death by his parents John and Claris (Toots) Michael and his brother Jerry Lee Michael. He was happily married to Janice Brown Michael for almost 48 years.

He is survived by his loving wife Jan, sons John and Joe and their wives Tammy & Deb, Grandchildren Bryant, Kammi and husband Jake, Cody, C.J, Jacob, Alivia, great Granddaughters Rena and Arya, sister Sharon Moody and husband Larry, and Uncle Bill and Dolores Micheal, and two nieces Jean Cox and Donna Wilson and nephew Cart Cox.

Donnie retired from Holly Sugar/Imperial Sugar after 42 years. Prior to that he worked for Walt Smith Masonry, John Dent herding sheep, lambing for Jim Woosley and for his parents when they owned Deer Haven Lodge. He was a retired captain of the Ten Sleep Volunteer department and a dedicated member for 28 years. He was a life member of the Worland Elks 1908 Lodge, Worland Eagles Aerie 3096, NRA, AARP and the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation.

Golf became a passion after his first fireman's golf tournament and he spent many years golfing with his good buddies. Donnie was an avid fisherman and hunter. He loved the outdoors, the badlands, gardening etc. He enjoyed shoeing horses.

Donnie's sense of humor carried him and his family through the years. He was also great for nicknames and sayings. To his Holly crew it was "We are NOT the crybaby shift". To his sons it was "do it nice or do it twice" or "come-on boys lets fix Mom's lawnmower" etc. His best one was "A man does not need a lot of friends just a few good ones".

Services will be held at 11:00am Saturday, January 5th, 2019 at the Ten Sleep United Methodist Church at 425 N Cottonwood. Donnie was cremated and his remains will be scattered on the mountain as were his parent's and brother's, thus there will be no burial in the cemetery.

Donations in Donnie's memory may be made to the Ten Sleep Volunteer Fire Department, P.O. Box 405, Ten Sleep, WY 82442. Arrangements have been entrusted to Veile Mortuary.