



## Bradley David Cockhill

September 21, 1946 - February 7, 2021

Bradley David Cockhill, our beloved husband, father and g'pa died suddenly of a massive heart attack on February 7th, 2021. He will be remembered for his kindness, nurturing nature, his quick wit, sense of humor, his modest character, and his love for those closest to him.

He was born on September 21st, 1946 in Fargo, ND to Edward and Edith Cockhill. Childhood explorations included the West Side lots, Longfellow ball fields, Timber Butte and Silver Bow Creek. He attended both the McKinley and Longfellow Elementary Schools, Butte Junior High, and Butte High School (Class of 1964). After attending Montana Tech, Brad chose a teamster career with the Anaconda Company. Later, he joined the family business, East Ridge Laundry, and eventually became co-owner of Matt's Place. Boy, could he grill a hamburger! Brad's leisure time was spent exchanging recipes with fellow cooks at the Butte Gourmet Club, hunting and traveling to visit loved ones.

Brad met Robin Laurence in the spring of 1965. They married at the historic St. Timothy's Church on August 7th, 1971. They missed celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary by exactly 6 months. To this union two lovely daughters were born, Brittany Clare and Lauren Nichole. One of Brad's greatest joys was becoming a grandpa, he dearly loved each of those babies. The memories we shared and the support and encouragement you provided will always be treasured. We will miss and love you forever.

Loved ones who preceded him in death were his mother and father, stepfather William Craig, brother Billy Craig, brother-in-law Dr. George Risi, mother-in-law and father-in-law Mae and Louis Laurence.

Survivors include his beloved wife Robin; daughters Brittany (Mike) Downey and Lauren (Galen) Hafla; grandchildren Holt, Jacelyn and Danielle Downey, Gehrig, Delaney, and Rhian Hafla; brother Brian (Linda) Cockhill; sisters Barbra Cockhill and Willa Craig; nephews Bill (Jenise) Cockhill and their children Eric and Anna, Russ Cockhill and Milan Risi; and numerous cousins.

The Cockhill family would like to sincerely thank the first responders from A-1 Ambulance and BSB Fire Rescue as well as the ER staff at St. James Hospital.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 22. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (MT)

Wayrynen-Richards Funeral Home  
1800 Florence Ave  
Butte, MT 59701  
(406) 723-3221  
<https://wayrynen-richards.com/>

## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ Brad, you and your family were such a blessing to me. I enjoyed working with you, Robin and Brittany. You all made me feel as if my past didn't matter. Brad you helped me on so many occasions when I wanted to give up, you always had words of wisdom that you were willing to share with me, you never let me give up on myself and I can never repay you for that but please know I hold all of these things near and dear to my heart. You were a kind soul but could put your foot down when need be. Thank you for not giving up on me. You will be missed dearly.

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**Jennifer Booher-Sauceda** - June 22, 2022 at 03:22 PM



“ Brad, I will never forget your kindness patience and how you always knew the right thing to say to me when I was struggling. Brad you showed me what true human kindness and compassion was. Thank you for taking a chance on me Brad. You will be missed more than words could ever express. Robin, I am so sorry for your loss. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.  
Much love and respect  
Jennifer Booher

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**Jennifer Booher-Sauceda** - April 05, 2022 at 07:49 PM

DB

“ Brad was a person that I looked up to while growing up in the neighborhood. He was always a good and kind person. I was fortunate to have known him.

*Dean Boundy*

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**Dean Boundy** - February 28, 2021 at 05:43 PM

CC

“ We are so sad to lose our dear friend! But we have so many wonderful memories and are thankful we were able to get together in 2019! Our middle son's middle name is Bradley, in honor of him. Friends are forever!



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**Carma Corra** - February 20, 2021 at 10:26 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Bradley David Cockhill.



February 19, 2021 at 05:39 PM

KM

“ Robin and Family - On behalf of the staff of East Middle School, please accept our deepest sympathy for your loss. We know that during your time here, you guys were always the first to help when someone needed it. Please let us know if there is anything you folks need and we'll be right there! On a personal note, the kindness that Brad and you showed my Dad was unmatched. I am certain that there are hundreds of others that Brad and you touched with the same kindness that share my appreciation. We're thinking of you guys and praying for you. God bless!

Keith Miller

Keith Miller - February 18, 2021 at 10:45 AM

DB

“ Our family's prayers and sympathies for Brad and his family. When we came back to Butte, Mat's was a great spot for the best hamburger. RIP, Brad. Don Brunell, Vancouver, WA....class of 64

Don Brunell - February 18, 2021 at 01:10 AM

DC

“ It is with great sadness and fond memories we have for Brad. A long time friend but remote thru the years regardless he was a friend and colleague. We extend our best wishes and condolences to Robin and family. May Brad's memory bring joy to all that knew him. Karen & Don Carkeek, Long Beach, California

Don Carkeek - February 15, 2021 at 08:14 PM

JG

“ Helped others when times were tough.I will miss his jokes & straight honesty about life.R.I.P Brad

Jay Goodman - February 15, 2021 at 02:19 PM



“ Robin -

*I am so saddened to read of Brad's passing. Brad was always such a kind, gentle soul - always fun to visit with. I got the chance to see him one trip back to Butte recently.*

*I always considered him a friend...*

*Know I am thinking of you and your kids tonight and I send you one big hug.*

*Charlene (LeProwse) Warren*

Charlene Warren - February 15, 2021 at 01:40 AM

RB

“ *Sending Love and Condolences to my Dear Friend Robin, Britney, Lauren and their families. May you cherish beautiful memories together forever. Luv the pictures but am saddened for your loss. Brad was a wonderful man. He was soo proud of all of you.*



*Love and Prayers, Ruby Backer*

Ruby Backer - February 13, 2021 at 01:58 PM

SS

*So very saddened to hear of your sudden loss. The memories you shared together will never be lost. Love and prayers to your entire family*

*Stephanie Shea*

Stephanie Shea - February 14, 2021 at 05:56 PM



“ 3 files added to the album Memories Album



Wayrynen-Richards Funeral Home - February 13, 2021 at 10:32 AM

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*My deepest sympathy to you and your family*

Janice (harvey)Gummer - February 13, 2021 at 06:40 PM

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