



Mr. Earl Raymond Williams

November 19, 1935 - September 16, 2015

Mr. Earl Raymond Williams passed away unexpectedly Wednesday morning at his home in Butte. He lived life to the fullest right to the very last moment, as he had just returned home from his weekly breakfast outing with friends, and his summer had been filled with family camping and jeep trips. He was born in Minot, North Dakota November 19, 1935 to Roy Archie and Gladys Marie (Mork) Williams. He grew up on the family farm in North Dakota and graduated from Des Lacs High School in 1953. He received an Associate's Degree from LeTourneau Technical Institute of Texas in 1955 and a Bachelor's Degree in civil engineering from the North Dakota Agricultural College in 1958. He also served his country in the United States Army at Fort Ord, California and as a Reservist from 1959 until 1966.

Earl worked for the United States Forest Service as a civil engineer and retired in 1995 after 37 years of service. He was an avid outdoorsman and enjoyed fishing, hunting, camping, four wheeling and Jeep exploration. He was a member of the Montana Trails Association, the National Rifle Association and also had a passion and talent for woodworking passed on from his father.

Earl and Margaret "Peggy" Rosecrans were married in Butte in 1967 until 1988, and together raised nine children. He is preceded in death by his parents and his older brother, Gary Williams who passed away as a child. Survivors include his longtime friend, Nancy Barker of Salmon, Idaho, with whom he enjoyed many snowbirding winters in Arizona and other memorable

times.

Also surviving are his children and their spouses: Kathleen and Brian Woodward of Whitefish, Tim and Belinda Williams of Round Rock, Texas, Meg Williams of Gillette, Wyoming, Mary Jo and Pat Harmon of Chester, Karen “Koko” Williams of Colorado Springs, Colorado, Gary Williams of Gillette, Steve “Beaver” and Lori Williams of Gillette, Brian and Nelly Williams of Gillette and Nicholas Williams of Austin, Texas. Surviving grandchildren are: Trevor Woodward, Josie and Harrison Williams, Haley, Troy, Korrin, Kyle and Blake Harmon, Garrity Williams and Kylee Williams.

His cousin, Terrie and her husband Alan Lee and family of Berthold, North Dakota also survive.

Dad and Grandpa Earl will be greatly missed, but he left many wonderful memories behind for all to continue to enjoy.

Tribute Wall

DM

“ *Del And Di Moser lit a candle in memory of Mr. Earl Raymond Williams*



Del and Di Moser - September 22, 2015 at 10:49 PM

CG

“ *Cloud Peak Energy Operations Group purchased the Cherished Memories - All White for the family of Mr. Earl Raymond Williams.*



Cloud Peak Energy Operations Group - September 21, 2015 at 09:44 AM

GR

“ *Gary, Brenda, Brady and Bode Rivenes purchased the Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket for the family of Mr. Earl Raymond Williams.*



Gary, Brenda, Brady and Bode Rivenes - September 21, 2015 at 09:37 AM

LF

“ Love, Your Medicine Shoppe Family purchased the Sympathy Arrangement In Basket (Large) - Multicolor Bright Mixed Flowers for the family of Mr. Earl Raymond Williams.



Love, Your Medicine Shoppe Family - September 20, 2015 at 08:51 PM



“ Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Earl Raymond Williams.



September 20, 2015 at 08:26 PM



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Mr. Earl Raymond Williams.



September 20, 2015 at 06:09 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Earl Raymond Williams.



September 20, 2015 at 05:41 PM

BS

“ Knowing Mr Williams has been an honor. Whether we talked about farming, the oil boom, or his time exploring the desert with his Jeep, I always appreciated his insight and wisdom.

*Barry Scheresky and Family
Des Lacs, ND*

Barry Scheresky - September 20, 2015 at 04:30 PM

LM

“ We will all miss your expert guidance and knowledge of the trails we visited with all the AZ Jeeps and ATV's.
Will meet up on a trail someplace in the future, find some new ones Earl and you can show us once again..

Our condolences go out to all your family and friends.

Our thoughts and prayers go to all you

Larry and Jeriann Marks

Nampa, ID an winter AZ

Larry & Jeriann Marks - September 18, 2015 at 10:02 PM



“ Earl will be missed at the Desert Gold RV park in Brenda. I only got to know Earl for a few years but I had many great Trips with Earl in the desert.



Clayton Johnson - September 18, 2015 at 06:30 PM



“ *European Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Mr. Earl Raymond Williams.*



September 18, 2015 at 06:26 PM