

Rocky Lee Norby was born on July 29, 1954 to Richard and Doris Norby. He was a great big brother to Rick and Jodene, there are many stories of how he picked on them as much as possible.

He grew up in the Crane area and graduated from Sidney High School in 1972. He started farming with his dad in 1974 which proved to be a lifelong career. Rocky would tell you, you have to be stupid to farm, but he loved it.

Rocky met the love of his life, Lori, on a dirt road leading to his home, where he left her with an armload to carry, not even offering her a ride. There must have been a spark because they married in 1979 and soon welcomed their children Jeremy, Melissa, and Amanda. Rocky and Lori cherished their children and were proud supporters of everything they did.

Rocky would complain mightily over all the tasks with family and friends that took him away from the farm but he truly enjoyed being there. He was the foreman for lefse making, the chief for the cleaning crew, the chaperone at all the concerts, the chauffeur for all trips, because the Boss (Lori) made him.

Once the kids graduated and moved out of the house, Rocky and Lori started traveling. Highlights included fishing trips to Alaska, concerts with their kids, cruises with their friends, sports with his boys, and a large family vacation to Disney World. Rocky loved his hunting trips with his friends and all of the men in his family.

Rocky was an amazing Dad and Papa, he attended every event he was able to and could always be heard in the stands. He coached many kids and numerous basketball teams. He was a proud Papa shark at the swim meets and

cheered proudly for every race. Rocky loved taking his grandkids with him on the farm and teaching them everything he could.

He started every day with a phone call to Mandy, followed by breakfast at Sunny's. There will be many silent phones now, as Rocky never put his down. He touched lives all over the world through the various people that have been a part of Norby Inc.

Rocky always had room in his heart for every person he met. He saw the best in everyone and made many friends that way. Rocky loved to go to Las Vegas and knew all of dealers and players at the table.

Rocky was taken from us suddenly on May 29, 2020 doing what he loved. He may be gone but his work ethic and generosity will live on through those who have been a part of his life. His last words were "Catch up with me down the road", and we all look forward to that reunion.

Rocky is survived by his wife, Lori; his kids Jeremy and Lorilee Norby and their children Ella, Avé, and Beckett; Melissa and Kirk Sanders and their children Hunter, Madycen, and Jaxcen; and Mandy and Tyler Malkuch and their children Ozzy and Ziggy; Matt and Teresa Stedman and their children Bryndi, Briar, Baylor; his brother Rick Norby, and sister Jodene (Todd) Bryngelson, and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his close friend Henrik Larson.

*"Catch up with me down the road."*

IN LOVING  
Memory

Rocky Lee Norby

July 29, 1954 - May 29, 2020



*"And on the 8th day God looked down on  
his planned paradise  
and said, I need a caretaker!"  
So, God Made a Farmer!"*

## Rocky-isms

"I'm telling ya like I'm telling ya,  
so listen like you're listening."



"Don't be hogging the talk."



"Don't make me angry.  
I don't want to be angry today."

## Rocky Norby

*Born to Richard & Doris Norby*

July 29, 1954 - Sidney, Montana

*Passed Away*

May 29, 2020 - Bainville, Montana

*Services*

3:00PM, Wednesday, June 3, 2020

The Grandstands at Richland Co. Fairgrounds

Sidney, Montana

*Officiating*

Pastor David Huskamp

*Music*

Toni Smelser    Lori Utter    Kathy Bidegaray

*Casketbearers*

Doug Lang    Steve Brown    Marvin Stedman

Gail Peterson    Dana Berwick    Ron Brown

Roger "Gomer" Floyd    Roger Marker

*Honorary Casketbearers*

Jake Wyman, Charlie Sheehan, Dean Verhasselt, Rudy Shields, Michael Johnson, Jonathan Lebsock, and all the wonderful employees from around the world who have given of themselves to make Norby Inc.

what it is today.

*Ushers*

Dean Steinley    Todd Steinley    Stan Rosaaen

Ross Rosaaen    Gy Salvevold

Grant Salvevold    Jerys Enget

*Arrangements By*

Fulkerson-Stevenson Funeral Home



May God bless and keep you always

May your wishes all come true

May you always do for others

And let others do for you.

May you build a ladder to the stars

And climb on every rung.

May you grow up to be righteous,

May you grow up to be true

May you always know the truth

And see the lights surrounding you

May you always be courageous

Stand upright and be strong

May your hands always be busy

May your feet always be swift

May you have a strong foundation

When the winds of change are swift.

May your heart always be joyful

May your song always be sung

May you stay forever young

Forever young, Forever young

May you stay forever young

