

# IN LOVING MEMORY



LYLE CLYDE  
BAXTER

MAY 13, 1956 - MAY 1, 2026

Lyle "Tuffy" Clyde Baxter was born in Richfield, Utah to Frances Arline McGurn and Clyde Elmer Baxter on May 13, 1956. He passed away peacefully at the age of 69, surrounded by loved ones on Friday, May 1, 2026; in Sundance, Wyoming. Lyle grew up in California and graduated from Beaumont High School in 1976. He worked various jobs over the years; until he landed in Gillette, Wyoming. Here he found a passion for welding and was hired-on at L&H Industrial in 1994 as a Maintenance Mechanic. Lyle was dedicated to his career and was sad when he retired after 27 years in 2021. Lyle's love for hunting and fishing started at an early age and followed him until the end. He enjoyed taking various friends and family into the hills to hunt, especially on horseback. When he wasn't at work, he was on the go helping anyone that needed a hand, playing darts, bowling, tending to his horses or riding his motorcycle. Going to the Sturgis Motorcycle Rally was something that he looked forward to every year especially with friends. At the Rally, you would see Lyle dressed in his mountain man attire: coyote skin hat, leather vest and moccasins. He loved the attention, especially from the women, but even more so he loved supporting H.O.G. and his local Legion. He loved his daughter Celena "Brit" and anyone that knew him knew that she was his world. After she got married, his heart grew with more love for each of his grandkids. Lyle enjoyed the simple things in life and being around his girl and her family was all he wanted to do. He is survived by his daughter Celena (Jason) Sjomeling, grandchildren Levi and Erika Sjomeling of Sturgis, SD; his brothers: Ronnie L. Noble, Paul Michael (Bonnie) Noble, Bradley R. Baxter, Curtis Lee Cooper, Timothy O. Cooper, and sister Mary Frances Cooper; various Nieces, Nephews and great nieces and nephews and an Uncle Oliver Sutton. Preceded in death by his mother, father, sister Tina Dickerson, paternal and maternal grandparents, and various aunts and uncles. Memorial service will be held 10:00 a.m., Friday, May 8, 2026 at Gillette Memorial Chapel 210 West 5th Street, Gillette, WY 82716. Visitation will take place from 4:00 p.m. -6:00 p.m., Thursday, May 7, 2026 at Gillette Memorial Chapel. Please join us in a celebration of life lunch-in at the Elks at 2200 Greenway Drive in Gillette following the service. Burial will take place in Moorcroft, Wyoming at a later date. In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to the local Legion Post 42 in Lyle's name. Memorials and condolences may be sent in care of Gillette Memorial Chapel 210 West 5th Street, Gillette, WY 82716. Condolences may also be expressed at [www.gillettememorialchapel.com](http://www.gillettememorialchapel.com)

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Memorial Service  
10:00 a.m., Friday, May 8, 2026  
Gillette Memorial Chapel

Officiant  
Donnie Colby

Songs  
“Teach Your Children”  
“Fire & Rain”

Honorary Pallbearers  
Pat Griffin  
Ross Tucker



Rita Mashak | Tara Aanonson  
Tara Cowger  
Funeral Service-Monuments-  
Advance Planning-Cremation-  
Lending Library, Learning to say  
goodbye; children's tour.

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