

Gerrie's Last "Goodbye"

by Mark Bishop

In the Cheyenne wind, a legend rides,
At ninety-four her heart still guides.
With elegance and Western pride,
Gerrie stood where dreams abide.

A single mother, tough and wise,
Raised four boys beneath the Wyoming skies
Steve, Mark, Jeff and Todd - her pride,
With love as vast as plains are wide.

Ten grandkids, nine greats - her legacy grows,
A family tree where kindness flows.
She co-founded "Cowgirls of the West",
Preserving tales of grit and zest.

Through the Trail Dusters' prancing hooves,
To courthouse halls where duty moves,
Thirty-three years, she served with grace,
A steady hand in Laramie County's embrace.

"Cowgirl up" her battle cry
Through rodeo dust and sunset sky.
From gymkhanas, rodeos to basketball games,
No challenge shook her fearless flames.

At ninety-four, she still had style.
She drove that truck for mile on mile.
Hauled those horses, mowed her land,
Baked carrot cake, best in the land.

But Vodka tonic on Friday nights,
At Cloud Nine Lounge in the neon lights.
With governor, judges and friends so dear,
Her laughter rang both far and near.

Friends with Cheney, Herschler
and Simpson too,
Yet humble in all she'd do.
Known by all in Laramie County
and throughout the state.
Her motto was "If you're not 30
minutes early, you are late!"

Her Cheyenne homestead stood
for forty-nine,
Her home on Yellowstone Road,
her sacred shrine.
"No nursing home," she'd firmly say,
"Just let me stay home
to ride out my final day."

Big earrings, jewels, and boots so fine,
A closet vast with Western shine.
Yet greater still, her heart's refrain,
Her love for others, her life's true gain.

So when the roundup to Cowgirl
heaven calls her name,
for Cowgirls gone, that golden plain,
She'll tip her hat and join the ride,
With all her friends gathered
by her side.

For now, she laughed, she loved,
she reigned,
Once queen of prairies, sun and rain.
Gerrie, dear, our hearts all see,
Wyoming's LEGEND....eternally.



CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF

Gerrie Bishop

March 19, 1932 ~ June 9, 2026

WE ARE NOT HERE TO MOURN
GERRIE'S PASSING
BUT TO CELEBRATE
HOW SHE

lived her life
AND
touched our hearts

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AND THIS
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~GEORGE STRAIT



In Memory Of

Gerrie Bishop

Date of Birth

March 19, 1932
Pueblo, Colorado

Date of Death

June 9, 2026
Cheyenne, Wyoming

Celebration of Life

Wednesday June 17, 2026 1:00-5:00 PM
Cheyenne Frontier Days Event Center

Opening Prayer

Pastor Betty Anne Murphy
Cowgirls of the West Chaplain

At 2:00 PM, We invite everyone to share
an experience or story about Gerrie
as we celebrate her legacy.



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