

Duane Craig Denny “Ol’ Boy” was born on October 15, 1964, in Wadena, Minnesota, the son of Dale Sr. and Shirley (Schwartz) Denny. He grew up and received his education in the Bertha-Hewitt community. On April 3, 1987, Duane was united in marriage to Donna E. Jackson. They made their home in Lake Lillian prior to moving to a farm near Rosendale in 1994. He was employed for several years at Jennie-O Foods as a Live-Haul driver. Most recently Duane and Donna have owned and operated D & D Pony Rides which they’ve enjoyed working at area fairs, festivals, and celebrations. Duane’s hobbies included deer hunting, watching PBR and NASCAR, going to auctions and livestock sales and fishing. He had a love for horses and had a large collection of antique and rare horse figurines and built a room just for his tack. In the wintertime he could be found cutting and splitting wood and always had a fire going in the woodstove! He cherished time spent with family, especially his grandchildren.

He is survived by his loving wife of over 39 years, Donna; his five children, Kristin (and Scott) Maxson of Litchfield, Justin (and Sarah) Denny of Lake Lillian, Kayla (and Cody) Allen of Deer Creek, Chelsey (and Jake) Frericks of Grove City and Courtney (and Kyle) Gregory of Atwater; seventeen grandchildren and six great grandchildren. Also surviving is his father, Dale Denny Sr. of Hewitt; and six siblings, Randy Denny of Swanville, Kathy (and Steven Dornquast) Denny of Rosemount, Joe Denny of Hewitt, Dale Jr. (and Lori) Denny of Perham, Julie Cole-Denny of Hewitt and Shelly (and Troy) Fuller of Evansville; besides other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Shirley in 2004; two brothers, Scott in 2009 and Danny in 2024; one sister-in-law, Lynn Denny and one brother-in-law, Tim Cole; one nephew, Kyle Denny and a great nephew, Kobe Weets.

## *Celebrating the Life of*



## *Duane “Ol’ Boy” Denny*

*1964 — 2026*



# **"A COWBOYS LAST REQUEST"**

By Terry Ike Clanton

Let me tell you folks  
Who have gathered here today  
That I'm a proud and thankful cowboy  
Who has just passed away

I know it's hard  
But, please don't cry  
Fer I'm now ridin' Gods trails  
High up in the sky

The hoss I'm ridin' now  
Don't spook, buck or kick  
Fer God stables perfect horses  
And now I have my pick

Lord, please forgive me of all my sins  
Fer I haven't been perfect  
But I know that he who believes in You  
Forever wins!

I have lived a good life  
A cowboys dream come true  
Thank You Lord,  
Fer I'm now ready to ride into eternity  
Me, my horse, and You.

In Loving Memory Of

# *Duane C. Denny*

October 15, 1964

Wadena, Minnesota

July 11, 2026

Litchfield, Minnesota

## **Celebration of Life Service**

Tuesday, July 28, 2026 - 11:00 a.m.

Rosendale United Methodist Church

Rosendale, Minnesota

Processional

Welcome

Song *"I'll Fly Away"* Johnny Cash (cd)

Opening Prayer

Remembrances

Scripture Readings Psalm 23, Proverbs 14:26 & II Timothy 4:7-8

Song *"Lead Me Gently Home"* Johnny Cash (cd)

Gospel Reading Matthew 5:1-12

Homily Pastor Paula Timm

Song *"Troubadour"* George Strait (cd)

Commendation

Dismissal with Blessing

Recessional

## **Interment**

Rosendale United Methodist Cemetery

Rosendale, Minnesota