

I Know You'll Miss This Man

The Lord spoke to the heavy hearts
that stood with hats in hand
"Your sadness pains me deeply
and I know you'll miss this man
But, it's true what you've been hearing,
Heaven is a real place.
That's no small consolation.
You should use that fact to face.

The emptiness his parting left
that seeps into your bones
And draw on it to ease your pain.
For he is not alone.
You see, all his friends are up here
and all his loved ones, too,
'Cause it wouldn't be a heaven
without each one of you.

And heaven for a cowboy
is just what you might expect,
It's horses that need tunin' up
and heifers that need checked.
It's long rides with a purpose
and a code that lights the way
And a satisfying reason to get up every day.

It's the ranch he's always dreamed of
and never knew he'd find
And if you think about it, you can see it in your mind.
Him, leanin' in the saddle with his ol' hat on his head,
Contentment set upon his face like blankets on a bed.

The leather creaks a little as he shifts there in the seat.
The bit chains give a jingle when his pony switches feet.
And you somehow get the feelin'
that he's sittin' on a throne
A'gazin' out on paradise just like it was his own.

I can promise you he's happy,
though I know you can't pretend
You're glad he made the journey.
It's too hard to comprehend.

The earthly way you look at things can never satisfy
Your lack of understanding for the answer to the 'Why?'

So, I offer this small comfort to put your grief to rest,
I only take the top hands 'cause my crew's the very best.
And I know it might seem selfish to friends and next of kin
But I needed one more cowboy and [Steve] fit right in."

Baxter Black



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APPRECIATION

On behalf of the family, we wish to express our gratitude for your many kindnesses in thought and deed, and for your attendance at the funeral service.



*In Loving Memory of
Steve Durand*

December 6, 1955 — July 25, 2023

Steve Durand
Robbers Roost, Utah

Steve Joseph Durand passed away peacefully at the age of 67 on July 25, 2023 in Provo of complications due to cancer.

Steve was born December 6, 1955 in Newton, Australia to Stanley and Grace Evelyn Maurer Durand. He attended school in Australia. After graduating from high school, he moved to California where he joined the National Guard. Steve loved the outdoors. After completing his service, he worked on ranches in California, Nevada, Arizona, Texas, Northern Utah and finally found home in Southern Utah, Piute County, with the Gleave Family. This means the whole extended Gleave family. They all loved him.

In 2011 Steve really found home in Eastern Utah on Robbers Roost. The Gleave family planned on him taking care of cows short term out there, but instead he told them he was never leaving. Steve stuck to this and has been running their cows for the last 12 years with minimal visits into "Town". Steve said that this was the closest he had been to Australia, and the life he loved, and that when he died, he was going to be buried there.

Steve was deaf and did not like crowds of people, but if he could get you one on one, you could not get away from him. He was a people person, contrary to his belief. Once you got to know him, you couldn't help but love him.

Steve was kind and gentle. He loved animals, especially horses and dogs. He was a great cow hand and could fix anything broken. He made friends with everyone he encountered down on Robbers Roost. It did not matter who you were or where you were from.

Steve is survived by his three nieces: Jessica, Cara, and Shannon, whom he loved unconditionally, as well as an abundance of other family and friends. Steve will be greatly missed by all.

Graveside Services and Interment

Robbers Roost Ranch
Wednesday, August 2, 2023
2:00 p.m.

Conducting Stanton Gleave

Invocation Garrett Gleave

Musical Selection.....
"Back In the Saddle Again"

Open Tributes

Musical Selection.....
"Happy Trails"

Dedication of the Grave..... Stanton Gleave

PALLBEARERS

Garrett Gleave, Clayton Gleave,
Dwyatt Gleave, Waylon Gleave, Quade Gleave,
Stanton J Gleave, Yates Gleave

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

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Will Leggett, Fredy Tacza Tacza,
Lonnie Barnson, Marty Gleave