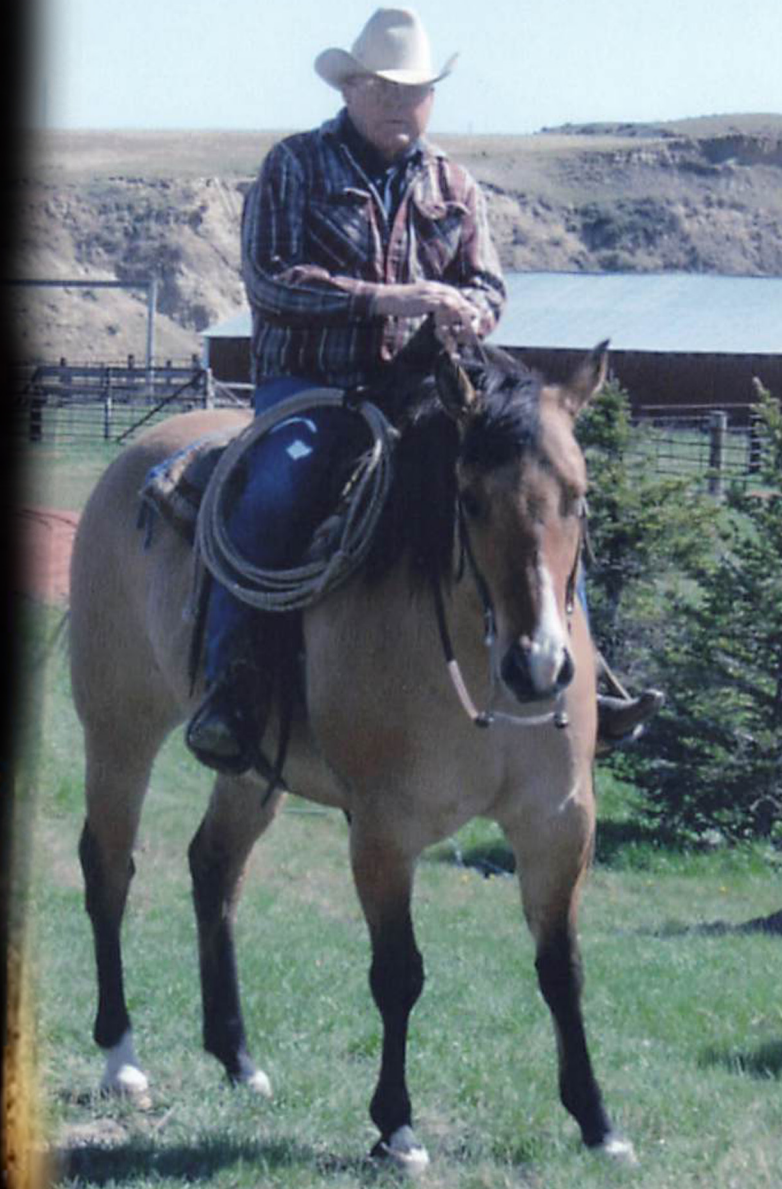


Marvin Horace Gookin was born September 23, 1935 in Ismay, MT, the son of Samuel Lyle and Anna Belle (Johnston) Gookin. He joined siblings Anna Marie and Mary Lou. Another sister, Donna, joined the family a year later. Growing up on the family farm west of Ismay, Marvin attended Whitney Creek School for eight years. The family moved into Miles City in 1949 when Marvin started school at Custer County High School, graduating in 1953. He spent most weekends at their Ismay home or rodeoing with his friends. His favorite subjects in school were Shop and FFA. The rest he said he would do without! After graduation, Marvin went to work for John Medearis, spent a few months in Idaho driving, logging truck for his Uncle Earl. In 1957, he and his best friend, Gene Nunn, attended Missouri Auction School in Kansas City, Missouri earning the title of Colonel Marvin Gookin. While he never made a profession of auctioneering, he called a lot benefits and fund raisers and practiced by selling off his wife and children in later years. On February 27, 1960 he married Sharon Beaudet in Miles City. They moved to the Clyde V and Mary Lee Brown ranch on the Little Missouri River where they lived until 1970. During this time they were blessed with two children, Kim Rae and Jimmy Gene. In 1970 the Gookins purchased their ranch South of Baker where they still reside. In 1974 Marvin bought a truck and started Gookin Trucking, hauling cattle, hay and feed for many ranchers in Eastern Montana. He added a belt trailer and hauled stoker coal into the Plevna School and several other individuals. He also went into the custom hay business, sometimes roading his self-propelled baler miles to get to the next job. His word was always to be respected. When he said he would be somewhere with a truck or baler, he was there. Marvin will be remembered for his quick wit, very strong will, love for his family and friends and sometimes quirky sense of humor. He always said what he meant and meant what he said. Marvin will be greatly missed by his wife, Sharon; daughter, Kim; son, Jimmy (Melisa); grandchildren, Amber Roberts, Dusty (Zach) Elmore, Gus Cumber, Trista Peck, Kayla (Chris) Carpenter, Kateel (Landon) Melchor; 12 great grandchildren, sisters-in-law, Shirley Gierke and Bernie Schieffert; and numerous nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents, Lyle and Anna Belle; sisters, Anna Marie Smith, Mary Lou Olson, Donna Faye Erlenbush; in-laws, Ray and Mildred Beaudet.



Marvin Gookin

September 23, 1935 - October 14, 2024



Marvin Gookin

FUNERAL SERVICE:

Tuesday, October 22, 2024 11:00 am

Ismay Community Church

Ismay, Montana

FAMILY RECEIVING FRIENDS:

Monday, October 21, 2024 4:00 - 6:00 pm

Stevenson Funeral Home

Baker, Montana

OFFICIATING:

Pastor Jason Bullinger

MUSIC:

Theresa Bruha

PALLBEARERS:

Vern Stark Doug Bruha

Roy Lutts Barney Dean

Todd Nunn John Brown

INTERMENT:

Custer County Cemetery

Miles City, Montana

ARRANGEMENTS BY:

Stevenson Funeral Home

Baker, Montana

*Lunch will be served at the Custer County
Fairgrounds following the graveside service.*

Everyone is welcome.



YOU DON'T HAVE
TO RIDE THIS
ONE ALONE. I'M
GONNA SHOW
YOU HOW.

-PSALM 32:8

Gookin Ranch
Est. 1970