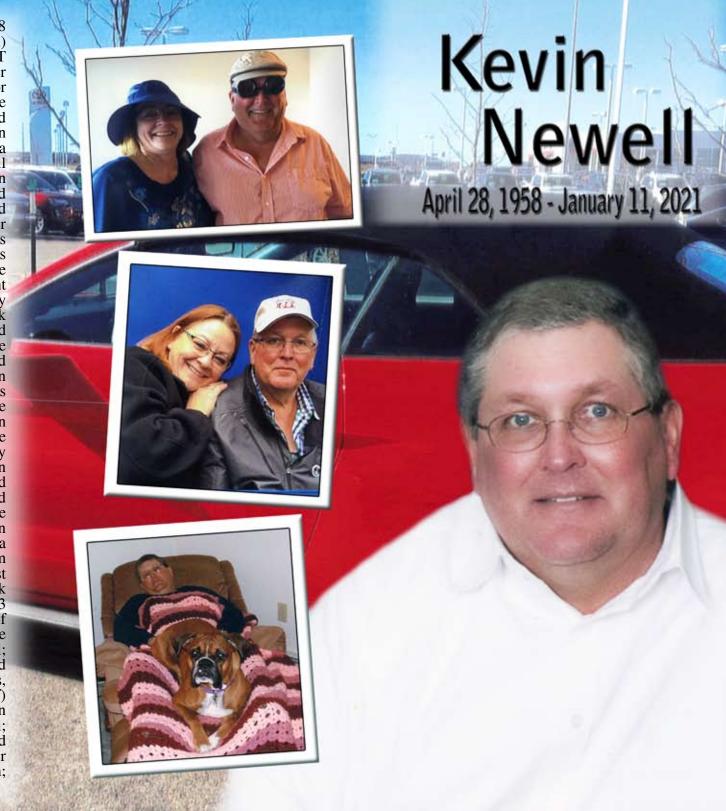
Kevin Newell was born April 28, 1958 in Beach, ND to Leon and Marilynn (Hayden) McLaughlin. Kevin grew up in Baker, MT attending school and graduated from Baker High School in 1976. He then went to work for Zion Construction in the area. Kevin and Debbie (Crippen) were married June 11, 1977 and raised their two children, Wayne and Jennifer. Kevin began his career with Shell Oil starting as a Roust about and later a pumper. Before Shell sold he became the Schedule Planner. Kevin continued then with Encore starting in 1999 and worked throughout their term until purchased by Denbury in 2010. Kevin retired and Baker continued to be his home. Kevin committed his life to the oilfield and made countless friends throughout southwestern Montana. In his free time Kevin found enjoyment in many different activities. Being a craftsman, he created many pieces through his woodworking, leather work and even stain glass. He was fondly called "Cliff" by many because anyone was welcome to take a seat next to him, share a good beer, and definitely learn something from his collection of "useless" information. For years many his favorite coffee stop was at KFLN with Uncle Russ and friends. The outdoors is where Kevin enjoyed being, camping, hunting and golfing. He was a huge supporter of the Lakeview Country Club, serving on the board for many years. In the last several years Kevin and Debbie would get together with their car minded friends and take time to cruise around different parts of the country. If Kevin was driving the Hair Nation was definitely the music of choice. Kevin was a special Papa to his grandchildren and loved them dearly. Kevin most looked forward to the almost weekly gatherings with family to share a drink and catch up. Kevin is survived by his wife of 43 years, Debbie of Baker; son, Wayne Newell of Tomball, TX; daughter, Jennifer (Bryce) Lecoe of Marmarth, ND; step mother, Susie Newell; brothers, Dale (Kathy) Newell of Baker, MT, and Kyle (Lynda) Newell of Billings, MT; sisters, Sharee Newell of Baker, MT, and Kamie (Jeff) Garner of Bozeman, MT; grandchildren, Trevin and Reese Lecoe, Kevin and Avery Newell; and numerous nieces and nephews. Preceded in death by his father Leon Newell; mother Marilyn McLaughlin; sister Renee McLaughlin; grandparents.





The Broken Chain

We little knew that morning, that God was going to call your name. In life we loved you dearly, in death we do the same. It broke our hearts to loose you, you did not go alone; for part of us went with you the day God called you home. You left us peaceful memories, your love is still our guide; and though we can not see you, you are always at our side. Our family chain is broken, and nothing seems the same; but as God calls us one by one, the chain will link again.





Kevin Newell

FUNERAL MASS:

Friday, January 15, 2021 11:00 a.m. St. John Catholic Church Baker, Montana

FAMILY RECEIVING FRIENDS:

Thursday, January 14, 2021 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Stevenson Funeral Home Baker, Montana

CELEBRANT:

Father Jolly Pathiyamoola

MUSIC:

Debbie Jo Varner

PALLBEARERS:

Dave Hayden Tom Owen
Les Boggs Jeff Greenlee
Derek Lyson Nick Passolt

INTERMENT:

St. John Cemetery Baker, Montana

ARRANGEMENTS BY:

Stevenson Funeral Home Baker, Montana

Lunch will be served at the church following the graveside service.

Everyone is welcome.