



**Airborne Wings**

I got my wings after 3 wks of jump school in Fort Benning Georgia in the Fall of 1951, 3 weeks of very hard training. After that I jumped in Texas, upper state of New York, Korea, Japan with about a total of 24; 25 jumps at about 110 miles per hour as high 145 MPH one time in Fort Brag, North Carolina. I never got hurt so now as we all have to face the fact that life ends so now I need to make one more big jump to the unknown and I just pray to Jesus and the Father God when I make my big jump I pray that when my chute opens I will be landing on the Golden Gate of Heaven and meet Jesus & God.

Written by Roy Simonson



*In Loving Memory*

**Roy Andrew Simonson**

**Born to Andrew & Lola Simonson**

June 23, 1933 ~ Sidney, Montana

**Called Home to His Heavenly Father**

October 16, 2021 ~ Williston, North Dakota

**FUNERAL SERVICE**

Saturday, October 23, 2021 at 3:00 pm

Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Chapel ~ Sidney, Montana

**Officiating**

Pastor Ralph Summers

**Music Selections**

"Lead Me Home" ~ Jamey Johnson

"When We All Get To Heaven" ~ Alan Jackson

"He Walked On Water" ~ Randy Travis

"Go Rest High On That Mountain" ~ Vince Gill

**Pallbearers**

Ben Gullickson Will Gullickson Sheridan Cotrell

Jericho Panasuk Benson Slotsve

Gabe Slotsve Blaze Simonson

**Honorary Pallbearers**

Cary Cochran & All of Roy's Family & Friends

**Military Rites**

V.F.W. Post 4099

Sidney, Montana

Montana Honor Guard

**Final Resting Place**

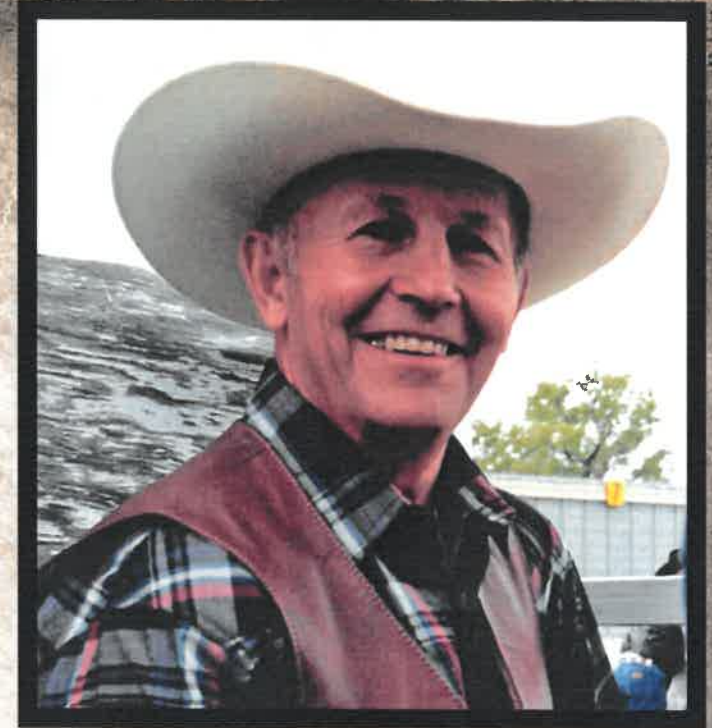
Sidney Cemetery ~ Sidney, Montana

**Special Graveside Music**

"If We Never Meet Again" ~ Sissy Erickson

**Arrangements By**

Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home ~ Williston, North Dakota



*In Loving Memory Of*

**Roy Andrew Simonson**

June 23, 1933 - October 16, 2021



Roy Andrew Simonson, age 88, left this earth on October 16, 2021. He was born June 23, 1933, to parents, Andrew Simonson and Lola (Violet) Simonson. He had one brother, Earl and two sisters, Ruth and Laura.

Roy was raised on Shadwell Creek, near Sidney, Montana where his family homesteaded and ranched. In his teen years he played football as a guard for the Sidney Eagles. He graduated from Sidney High School in 1951. After high school he joined the Army on June 3, 1951 where he belonged to the 82nd and 187th Airborne Division during the Korean War and served until May 4, 1954. Roy was a true American, he believed in democracy and freedom and lived his life accordingly. He wore his airborne wings every day to demonstrate his love of country.

After his service in the Army, he returned home and met Coralee Myers, and they were married on September 15, 1954. Roy and Coralee made their first home in Klamath Falls, Oregon while he attended college, to learn the trade of carpentry and cabinet making. After several moves Roy and Coralee settled in Yakima, Washington on a small irrigated farm. In addition to the farm, he owned a place on the edge of the South Fork Ahtanum Creek. Roy and Coralee raised four kids; Vicky, Chuck, Annette, and Jody on the small farm which included, cows, horses, chickens, pigs, dogs, and cats. He loved the country life and all the animals.

In 1970 Roy's father became ill so he moved back to Sidney, Montana to assist his father. While in Sidney, he worked in the cabinet making business until 1978 when they moved to Williston, ND. There he received a job at UND where he taught carpentry. Roy also taught Vo-Ag in Trenton, ND and Richey, MT. Roy was a teacher at heart and had lots of patience when teaching someone a skill.

While living in Williston, Roy lost his beloved wife Coralee to pulmonary fibrosis in the year 2005.

Then Roy met his present wife, Evelyn Cartwright while dancing at the Moose in Williston, ND and they were married in Williston on June 30, 2007. Roy and Evelyn moved to Dagmar, Montana on her family farm where Roy enjoyed spending time in the shop building furniture.

Roy was a member of the Sons of Norway, VFW and the Moose Club. He even traveled to Norway to trace his roots. Roy was larger than life and shared his stories and jokes with anyone he met. He was a true cowboy and lived his life accordingly. In 1950, the first Miles City Bucking Horse Sale, Roy participated in the bareback event. He always had a barn full of horses and shared his love of horses with his children and grandchildren. Roy loved to take his grandchildren for sleigh rides at Christmas. He would also hook up the toboggan to the horse and pull the children through the hills and pastures.

Roy was generous to everyone, if someone needed help he was there to lend a hand. He enjoyed making furniture and cabinets for family members and friends. Roy was an avid outdoorsman, he loved hunting, fishing and gardening. His other hidden talent was the ability to make bread and lefse. If anyone knows Roy you will remember his love of pie and ice cream.

Roy is survived by current wife, Evelyn; daughters, Vicky (Toby) and Jody (Todd) ; and son, Chuck; stepdaughters, Wendy (Mark), Tammy (Logan) , Jenny (Tyler); six grandchildren and 9 step grandchildren; 8 great grandchildren. Preceding him in death were his parents, Andrew and Lola; wife, Coralee; brother, Earl; sisters, Laura and Ruth, and daughter Annette.

We would like to thank the staff at Bethel Home for his care during his final days. He will be greatly missed.

