



## Jody J. De Leon

June 23, 1943 - October 13, 2019

Jody J. De Leon, age 76, passed away on Sunday, October 13, 2019 in Bellingham, Washington.

Jody was born in George West, Texas on June 23, 1943 to Rafael and Nieves De Leon, and was the oldest of eight children. He worked for the Ferndale Refinery as a welder and was an avid horse enthusiast and team roper.

Jody was preceded in death by his parents and one sister. He is survived by friend and caregiver, Susan Prosser, his siblings Maria Lopez, Jesse De Leon, Avelia Normand, Anita De Leon, Albaro De Leon, and Leo De Leon; daughters Darcy Sullivan, Darla Sullivan, and Tamara De Leon, five grandchildren, numerous nieces and nephews, and many friends throughout Whatcom and Skagit County.

Jody had a big heart and a gentle spirit and will be greatly missed.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to St. Joseph Catholic Church in his remembrance.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Oh my goodness. I just heard about this. I am so sorry to hear this.,Looking back to the 70's when Jody played in the Cascade ramblers band with Lloyd Hooper at The Castle Tavern. I always had so much fun. We were so dedicated and loyal to them, no matter where Jody played, we all would be there. The senior center in Smokey point, The place in Sedro Woolley at the Y off Minkler and Hoehn Rd. when Jody played I danced my head off and had a great time.. AND So many nights of practice roping at L&M Arena in Bayview and a beer and some fried Chicken at the Corner Tavern afterwards.. Earl Scott, Billy Cook, Leo Pallogi, Sometimes Jody's 2 Daughters Darcie and Darla, and His wife Jane would come out.. Some great times were had by all. I still look back on those days and smile. Things were so different then, I don't know how or why but they were. We actually enjoyed ourselves and had fun . To the Deleon family, I am so sorry to hear this. I will miss the times we all spent together. Jody's sister was a good friend of mine and his nephew Alger was my sons best friend. Wow. How we all are connected in some way. Love you all.

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**Tess Pederson** - February 18, 2020 at 12:00 AM

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“ Rest In Peace! We will miss you!

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**Susan** - October 30, 2019 at 12:00 AM