



John Martin Rider

August 1, 1964 - July 22, 2024

John Martin Rider, a lifelong Siskiyou County resident, passed away peacefully after a long illness on July 22, 2024 at the age of 59.

Martin was born in Yreka on August 1, 1964 to John H. and Constance Rider. Martin is survived by his wife, Heather; son, Garret (Nonna) Rider; grandchildren, Cyrus and Sophia Rider; sisters, Brenda (Mike) Morris, Sheri (Rance) Rider, and brother, Nick (Michelle) Rider; aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews, and dear friends.

Martin was raised on the Klamath River and lived there most of his life. His first job was hauling hay and working a ranch, then went on to work for our local Forest Service on the Brush Disposal Crew and as a firefighter. After the Forest Service, he worked for many years at Timber Products, running various machinery. Finally leaving the mill, he returned to ranching.

Martin loved the outdoors and all that went with it: fishing, hunting, and gardening. His prize possession was his elk that he had mounted on the wall. He shot it on the very last day of the season, and it was a hunting trip that he talked even years after. He enjoyed hunting for quail, grouse, antelope, buck, and elk. He also loved shooting and spent many hours out on the ranch enjoying gun powder therapy.

Martin enjoyed fishing out on the ocean for Ling Cod and bottom fish, diving for abalone, and spent many days crabbing, digging clams, eeling on the rocks off the coast and surf fishing for perch.

He will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

Martin did not want formal services. A celebration of life will be held in the future.

Tribute Wall

JH

“ I was in 3rd grade when we moved to Klamath River. The Riders were the first people I met. When were friends from that day on. They were family to me. I spent so much time there with Martin, Brenda, Sheri, and Nick. I have the best memories. I really miss those days.
I'm deeply saddened that Martin is gone. He was far too young. I hope you are free from all your pain. My heart goes out to his family and friends. You will always be family to me. I love and miss you.

Joyce Hammon - August 29, 2024 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ John grew up with some of my children. He was a quiet young man, at least around my restaurant. He was always fishing or hunting when he could. He will be missed by many friends and his family. My prayers to his family! I love all of you!!

Beverly Bridges - August 27, 2024 at 12:00 AM

HD

“ My deepest condolences to the Rider families. 🙏

Heather Davis - August 23, 2024 at 12:00 AM

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“ So very sorry for your loss. 🙏🙏

Kristen Naylor - August 23, 2024 at 12:00 AM

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“ We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ Girdner Funeral Chapel

A Memorial Tree was planted for John Martin Rider - August 23, 2024 at 12:00 AM