



Mark Oliver McClure

May 22, 1950 - March 22, 2024

Mark Oliver McClure was born on May 22, 1950 in Del Norte, Colorado to John C. "Tuffy" and June E. (Oliver) McClure. He grew up in Center where he lived a full and interesting life including being an outstanding wrestler during his high school years. Mark joined the Navy during the VietNam Conflict. Once he finished his commitment and was stateside, he met and married Marion Keller. Mark attended Adams State College where he served as the Entertainment Coordinator and graduated with a degree in Industrial Arts. Mark worked for the Forest Service in Rio Grande National Forest. In 1978 he decided to

move to Alaska and he worked from Homer, Alaska to 180 mile west of Barrows Alaska (US-Russia border). While in Alaska he was a volunteer with the Iditarod races. Mark also participated and won several cribbage tournaments and would travel to Reno, Nevada to play in the National Cribbage Tournament. He played and won several Alaska poker tournaments which earned him an entry to "The World Series of Poker" in Las Vegas. We all know he always enjoyed a good card game. In 2012 he retired and returned to Center to be with family. Mark was preceded in death by his father John C. "Tuffy" McClure and his mother June E. (Oliver) McClure. He is survived by his siblings, John F. "Skip" and Sue McClure of Center, Charles W. McClure and Mary McClure of Center, Rebecca S. "Becky" and Dave Barnes of Eaton CO., Mary C. and Allen Gilmore of San Antonio, TX., as well

as his cousin "Alaska family" and close friend Jim and Cindy Oliver and their children Cody, Younger and Jessie. Mark had many nieces and nephews and will be missed. Cremation was chosen and the service will be at a later date. To leave online condolences please visit; romerofuneralhomes.com. The care of arrangements has been entrusted to Romero Valley Funeral Home of Alamosa.

Tribute Wall

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“ So sorry for your loss.

Mac McKnight - March 27, 2024 at 12:07 PM

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“ My sympathy goes out to each member of Mark's family -- Skip, Bill, Becky & Mary and their spouses. Having known Mark since forever (so to speak) and gone all through school with him, he was special. He was a memorable member of my high school graduating class!!! So sorry for your loss.

Wanda (Bevan) Couzens-Smith

Wanda Couzens-Smith - March 27, 2024 at 11:07 AM

DS

“ My sympathies go out to Bill & Mary, Skip & Sue, on your loss. Know that I am thinking of you at this time. David Stone

David Stone - March 27, 2024 at 10:31 AM