

# Joseph Porterfield "Jody" Johnson Jr.

4-17-2002

Funeral services for Joseph Porterfield "Jody" Johnson Jr., 53, were held Tuesday, April 16, 2002, at 1:00 p.m. at the First Christian Church in Wheatland, Wyoming, with Pastor Craig Cagle of Memorial Baptist Church officiating. Interment will be in the Family plot in the Wheatland Cemetery at Wheatland.

Jody died Friday, April 12, 2002, at the Campbell County Memorial Hospital in Gillette, Wyoming, of pancreatic cancer.

Jody was born August 27, 1948, in Wheatland, the son of Joseph Porterfield and Clara Lou (Rhodes) Johnson. He was reared and educated in Wheatland, graduating from Wheatland High School in 1966 and from the University of Wyoming in 1972 with a degree in agriculture economics. He farmed and ranched with the Johnson Family until 1994. He was responsible for developing virtually all of the sprinkler irrigation on the Johnson Farms. In 1994 he began his own ranching operation, and he became a buer for right-of-way work in Wyoming, Alabama, Minnesota, and Connecticut. He had resided in Gillette the past year. On May 9, 1998 he married Jacquelyn Waites Agee in Selma, Alabama. Jody was a member of Memorial Baptist Church. He enjoyed dispatching other people and working.

Jody is survived by his wife, Jacquelyn W. Johnson of Gillette; his parents, Joe and Clara Lou Johnson of Wheatland; two sons, Joseph P. iTreyí Johnson III of Wheatland and Matthew L. Johnson of Mankato, Minnesota; a step-son, Richard J. Ages of Selma; three brothers, Richard Lee Johnson and Rex E. Johnson of Wheatland, and Robert W. Johnson of Oakland, California; sister, Charlene Johnson of Wheatland; and one granddaughter, Shelby Agee of Selma.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Eddy Taylor Johnson on September 29, 1977. Serving as pallbearers will be Harry Corl, LeRoy Wood, Chuck Ruwart, Ron Ziegelman, Bob Shepard, and John Bunker.

Honorary Pallbearers will be Kevin Johnson, Brandon Johnson, Adam Johnson, Alex Johnson, Eydie Johnson, Shelley Johnson, and Emily Johnson. Memorials to the Platte County 4-H Foundation, 57 Antelope Gap Road, Wheatland, Wyoming 82201 would be appreciated by the family.

Family and friends may call at the funeral chapel on Monday from 10:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. and on Tuesday from 8:00 A.M. to 10:00 A.M.

Platte Funeral Chapel of Wheatland is in charge of the arrangements.