



## Douglas F. Straube

August 1, 1947 - February 9, 2010

Doug was born to Bud and Chrystal Straube of Oxford, Nebraska on August 1, 1947. He lived as a boy with his parents in Oxford on a farm, attending grade school in Beaver City and 3 years of high school in Oxford. While in high school, he belonged to FFA and raised purebred Yorkshire hogs. His senior year he won several medals with his prize hog, named Gorgeous George after his favorite wrestling star. He graduated from high school in Wiggins, Colorado, where he drove a school bus. After Doug graduated, his family moved to Gunnison, Colorado. That summer he worked at Foster Lumber Company, and then moved with the family when the construction company his father worked for moved to Fort Collins. He enlisted in 1968 and spent most of his years in the Army at Fort Hood in Texas. After leaving the service, he worked for Sterling Sand and Gravel out of Fort Collins then drove his own over-the-road truck until ill health forced him to look for something different. He then moved to Bullhead City, Arizona, and bought into an awning company. He stayed in Bullhead until poor health once again forced him to come back to Colorado to be closer to his mother. Unfortunately, his health continued to decline and he was hospitalized at the veterans' hospitals both in Cheyenne and Denver, and continued to live with family until his collapse at home two weeks ago. He died at Poudre Valley Hospital on February 9, 2010. He was preceded in death by his father, Bud Straube, of Fort Collins; his uncle Donald Geiselman of Oxford, Nebraska; and both sets of grandparents. He leaves to mourn, his mother, Chrystal Straube of Fort Collins and the man he

considered a second father, Clair Childress of Kimball, Nebraska; his aunt, Marlys Geiselman of Oxford, Nebraska; his niece, Cathy and her husband, Gerald Jaeger of York, Nebraska; his nephew, Duane Geiselman and wife, Vicky of Arapahoe, Nebraska; his nephew, Gary Geiselman of Broken Bow, Nebraska; and his nephews, Roger and Dale Geiselman of Oxford, Nebraska, as well as many other relatives and friends. The Funeral Service will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, February 15, 2010 at Bohlender Funeral Chapel. Interment will be held at Resthaven memory Gardens Cemetery. Memorial Contributions may be made in Doug's name to the American Lung Association in care of Bohlender Funeral Chapel, 121 W. Olive St, Fort Collins, Colorado 80524.

# Tribute Wall

RY

“ *Just learned of doug's passing. Many memories as we attended school. Rich and Carolyn Hays York*

Rich & Carolyn York - February 18, 2010 at 12:00 AM

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“ *My deepest sympathies to you, Chrystal and Clair, in your loss.*

Irene Ostrand - February 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DK

“ *Crystal, I am so sorry for your loss god bless you love Dixie*

dixie koncilja - February 12, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RG

“ *Mrs. Straube May God Bless you in your time of sorrow. My deepest sympathy to you and your family. Rose Ellen*

Rose Ellen Smith Graydon - February 12, 2010 at 12:00 AM