



John Howard Barber

June 3, 1938 - October 7, 2023

John Howard Barber, a resident of Sulphur was born on June 3, 1938 in Marshall, Minnesota to Robert and Gwendolyn Barber. He went to be with his Lord and Savior on Saturday, October 7, 2023 in Sulphur, Oklahoma at the age of 85 years old. He grew up in Milroy, Minnesota. At the age of 15 he drove a livestock truck for his dad. At the age of 19 he graduated from Reisch American School of Auctioneering. That started a profession that would last 66 years. He later became an instructor at the Auction College. He was honored for 40 years of service at the Dakota County 4-H Fair in Minnesota and 35 years for service to 4-H at the Minnesota State Fair. He was employed by the South St. Paul Union Stockyards for 45 years. John and his family owned and operated the Hutchinson Horse Sales for many years. He spent his free time traveling around the country with his three girls showing their Quarter Horses and participating in related events. He also was honored with 30 years of service as a horse show judge. He served as President of the Minnesota Quarter Horse Association and was inducted into the MN Quarter Horse Association Hall of Fame. He was fortunate to breed a World Champion Quarter Horse, and an AQHA Champion. John treasured his children and embraced every moment with them. He especially loved his role as Grandpa. In retirement he enjoyed trail riding and carriage rides. While in Oklahoma he attended Sulphur United Methodist Church, where he felt very welcome by his church family.

John was preceded in death by his parents, Robert and Gwendolyn; wife, Alta Christine Barber; sister, Fayette Zitzman; son in law, Douglas Carpenter.

Those he leaves to cherish his memories are his daughters, Lori Bravo and husband Francisco of Sulphur, Oklahoma, Jill Yanz and Tom Hastings of Minnesota, Gwen Carpenter; granddaughter, Natalie Christine Bravo; sisters, Kathy Schueller and husband Jim of Chattanooga, TN, Marilyn Glen of Council Bluffs, IA.

Services will be held at 11:00 AM on Wednesday, October 18, 2023 at the Sulphur United Methodist Church in Sulphur, Oklahoma with Reverend Jim Shepherd to officiate. DeArman Funeral Home is in charge of the local arrangements.

Another service will be held at 11:00 AM Friday, October 27, 2023 at St. Johns Lutheran Church in Northfield, Minnesota. Visitation will be held at 10:00 AM at the church. Bierman-Benson-Langehough Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements with Pastor Pam Fickensher officiating.

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