

# Hayes Arthur “FUZZ” Parten

Hayes Arthur “FUZZ” Parten 85, took his final flight Thursday morning March 11 at his home in Rodeo, New Mexico, with his daughter Deb and Son in law Jimmy beside him. As he was preparing for his ride the sun was rising and the gorgeous NM landscape that he so loved was there to greet him as he made his final approach.

Fuzz was born May 20, 1935 in Bisbee, AZ, a son of the late Ike Hayes Parten and Margaret (Detloff) Anderson

He grew up in Arizona and New Mexico while helping his family work the ranches. As a young man he was in a movie as a stunt man (kid) roping alongside the famous Robert Mitchum, in the movie titled Pursued. This is when he applied for his SS number. After the family left Gallup, NM they ended up in Fort Washakie, WY. He graduated from Fremont County Vocational High School in Lander, WY. He rode in the many rodeos as a bare back rider, working for Dexter Clark and the Baldwin's.

He met Freda (Kilfoy) and married her in 1953. They had 3 children, Craig, Debra, Kevin. During this time he was able to take and pass a typing test to be able to work as a station agent at the Riverton Airport in Jan.



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1959. His dream was to always be an airline pilot, which he did accomplish with Frontier Airlines. With this new job he moved his family to Sydney, NE. Billings, MT, Aurora, CO and then later to Castle Rock, CO. When the OLD Frontier shut down he was able to finish his career with Continental Airlines and retired in May 1995.

Fuzz always loved learning new things. The family took up karate, rock climbing, cross country skiing, camping, traveling to AZ or heading to Lake Boysen in Wyoming. After he retired he took up riding motorcycles.

After his divorce in 2019, he moved down to Rodeo, New Mexico not too far from one of the many ranches that he grew up on as a young kid.

Fuzz is survived by his children Craig (Lavenda) Parten, Debra Kay (Jimmy) Spurgeon, Kevin Ray (Dena) Parten. Grand Children: Brooke (Dave) Engfer, Cory (Nicole) Parten, Cassi Spurgeon, Brady Parten, Chelsey Parten. Great Grandchildren: Anabelle Engfer, Julia Engfer, Sage Engfer, Jace Parten, Blakeley Parten, Treva, Gideon, Jenny Rae, Jude, and Luke. And his siblings: Jarret 'Dogie' Parten, Marjorie (Woody) Wood, Billie (Mac) Donaldson, Mike (Sandra) Anderson, and Pat (Marsha) Anderson, and many dear friends and family members. He was preceded in death by a brother Gerald 'Bogie' Parten, his parents Ike Hayes (Dixie Cox) Parten, Margaret (Andy) Anderson, his Grandparents Jack Hayes Parten, Arthur (Nora) Detloff, and other aunt and uncles.

Thank you to Jill (his nurse), Dennis, Charlie, and Jim Schwartz for always being there for him.

He was cremated and his ashes along with his dog CASH will be scattered in Wyoming at a later date.