



In Loving Memory Of
Justin Oliver Thin Elk, Jr.

Wake Services

Thursday ~ December 10, 2020
Antelope Community Building in Mission, SD
Friday ~ December 11, 2020
Thin Elk Ranch near Mission, SD

Graveside Service

Saturday ~ December 12, 2020 @ 2pm
Holy Family Cemetery ~ North Antelope, SD
Military Honors: Am. Legion Post 125 - Rosebud, SD
Prayers by: Deacon Ben Black Bear, Jr.
Traditional Prayers: Pat Bad Hand
Drum Group: Red Leaf Singers

Pallbearers

Justin Mednansky Harold DeCory
Thomas 'Bubba' Yellow Hawk Wes Colombe
Don Chapin Rodney Thin Elk
Justin 'Chopps' Thin Elk, III

Honorary Bearers

John & Sonny Farmer ~ Sid Reddest, Jr. ~ Brian Fox
Mednansky Ranch ~ C & C Rodeo ~ Star of the West
Gale & Armita Tinant ~ Wright Family ~ Keith Larvie
Kevin & Renee DeCory ~ Thin Elk Family
High Elk Family ~ Bad Manners ~ Hawk Rodeo Co.
Yellow Eagle Family ~ Bernard & Brenda Herman
Carmen Storms ~ Tony & Steph Night Pipe
Murray Family ~ Schubauer Tire ~ Cowboy Express
Stan & Grace LaPointe ~ The Sundowners
Richard 'Skinny' Colombe ~ Clifford 'Chums' Lafferty
Mike Lafferty ~ Miles Medearis ~ Harold 'String' Medearis
Keenan Zeltinger ~ Sanford USD Medical Center ICU Staff
All Wildhorse Racing Teams ~ All Vietnam Veterans
All Professional Wildhorse Racing Teams



Wife:

Renee Thin Elk

Children:

The late Justina Thin Elk
The late Jody Thin Elk
Justin 'Chopps' Thin Elk, III
Tanner Thin Elk, Sr.
Tanner Thin Elk, Jr.
Sharon Brandis

All Grandchildren

Sister:

Joan Castaway

Hunka Family:

Parents:

Gordon & Louella DeCory

Siblings:

Karen, Kevin, Harold & Cheryl DeCory
Prairie Rose DuBray - Chapin

A Cowboy's Prayer

O Lord, I've never lived where churches grow;
I've loved creation better as it stood
That day you finished it long ago,
And looked upon your work and called it good
Just let me live my life as I've begun!
And give me work that's open to the sky;
Make me a partner of the wind and sun,
And I won't ask a life that's soft and high.
Let me be easy on the man that's down;
Let me be square and generous with all.
I'm careless sometimes, Lord, when I'm in town,
But never let 'em say I'm mean or small.
Make me as big and open as the plains;
As honest as the horse between my knees;
Clean as the wind that blows behind the rains;
Free as the hawk that circles down the breeze.
Just keep an eye on all that's done and said;
Just right me sometime when I turn aside;
And guide me on the long, dim trail ahead—
That stretches upward towards the Great divide.



'cause I'm a Cowboy...

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Sept 15, 1949 ~ Dec 5, 2020