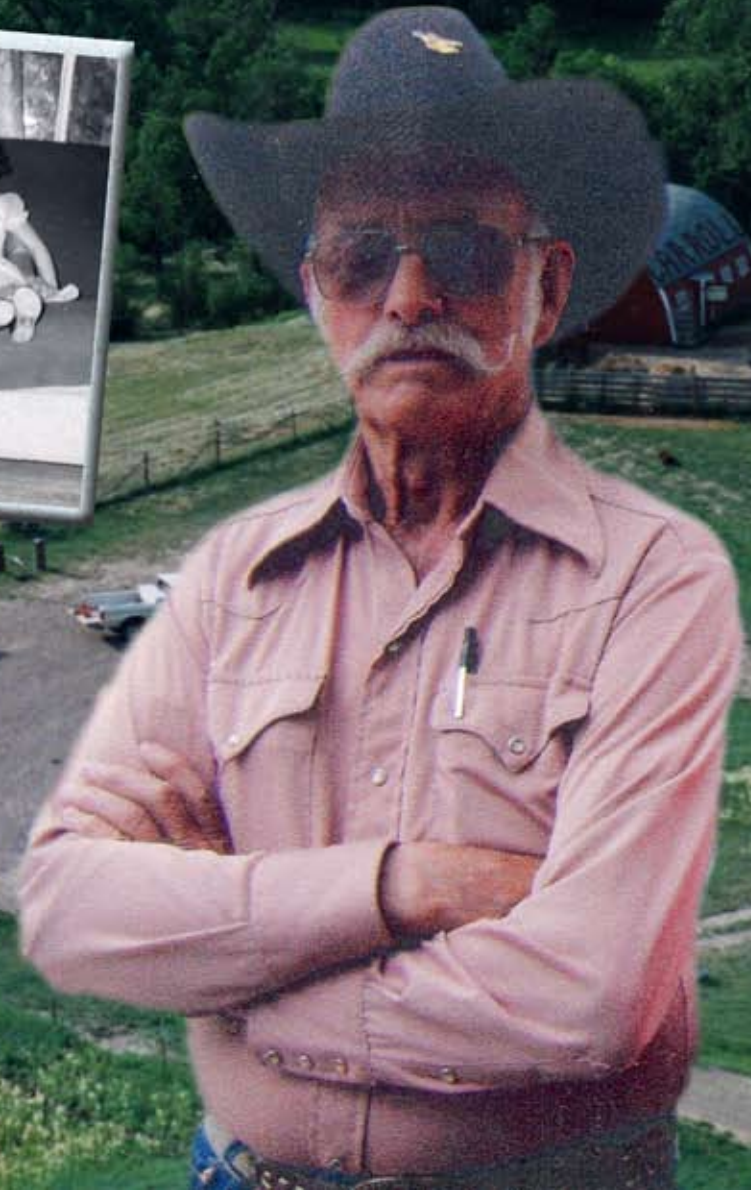


James Thomas Carroll, or James T. as he was known, was born on January 1, 1932, in Ekalaka, MT a son of James Thomas and Blanche Edna (Davis) Carroll. James T. grew up on the Carroll ranch in the Belltower Community southeast of Ekalaka. He attended the Belltower School. Following grade school, he worked on the family ranch and other ranches in the area. At the age of 17, James T. joined the United States Army on December 7, 1949, serving with Company C 505 Reg 82nd Airborne Division as a Paratrooper. While still in the Army, James T. married the love of his life, his best friend, Marlys L. "Marty" Speiser on August 30, 1952, in Ekalaka. Corporal James T. Carroll was honorable discharged on February 17, 1953. Following his discharge, James T. returned to the family ranch in Belltower where he and Marty raised their children, Tom and Jody. James T. enjoyed the wide open spaces of their ranch and its beauty. He was a talented horseman and enjoyed hitching a good team to do a hard days work. While working for Ted Bickerdyke in the late 1950s, James T. was given 2 bum lambs for his children. From that start, he remained in the sheep business until 1998. From 1998 until the time of his death he was in the cow business and enjoyed helping neighbors, often on horseback. Always important to him was his service to the Ekalaka VFW. No matter what was on his schedule, presenting the United States Flag to a veteran's family was an honor. But most important to James T. was his family. James T. was a member of the Belltower Community Club and a member of the Ekalaka Track & Arena. He was also past-president of the C & B Grazing District. He was always quick with a smile and a story. James T. passed away unexpectedly on Monday, July 26, 2010, at Dahl Memorial Healthcare in Ekalaka, MT. He is survived by his best friend and wife, Marty Carroll, Ekalaka, MT; his two children, Tom (Karen) Carroll and Jody (Jeff) Bullion both of Ekalaka, MT; his three grandchildren, Gabe (Steph), Garrett and Kelli; two great-grandchildren, Ryker and Rylan; one brother, Harry L. (Anne) Carroll, Willows, CA; two sisters, Josephine F. (A.B.) Chavis, Laurinburg, NC and Doreen (Carl) Freeman, Shoshoni, WY and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, James and Blanche, a sister, Delores Tiensvold and a niece, Teresa Carroll. A Memorial has been established by the Carroll family in James T's honor.

# James T. Carroll

January 1, 1932 - July 26, 2010





Life Must Go On



# James T. Carroll

## FUNERAL SERVICE

Monday, August 2, 2010 10:00 a.m.  
Stevenson Funeral Home  
Ekalaka, Montana

## FAMILY RECEIVING FRIENDS

Sunday, August 1, 2010  
5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.  
Stevenson Funeral Home  
Ekalaka, Montana

## OFFICIATING

Tom Steig

## READERS

Loyd Townsend, Jesse LaBree & Les Kreitel

## MUSIC

Phil Cook

## PALLBEARERS

Scott Kittelmann      Billy Kennedy  
Jim McCabe              David Wolff  
Joe Schmid                Vic Hansen

All of James' Friends & Neighbors  
are considered honorary pallbearers

## MILITARY RITES

Ekalaka VFW  
Ekalaka American Legion  
Montana National Guard Honor Guard

## INTERMENT

Beaver Lodge Cemetery  
Ekalaka, Montana

## ARRANGEMENTS BY

Stevenson Funeral Home  
Ekalaka, Montana

Lunch will be served by the Belltower Community Club at  
St. Joan of Arc Parish Hall following the graveside service.  
Everyone is welcome.

Grieve for me, for I would  
grieve for you,  
Then brush away the sorrow  
and the tears,  
Life is not over, but begins anew.  
With courage you must greet the  
coming years.  
To live forever in the past is wrong,  
Can only cause you misery and pain,  
Dwell not on memories overlong,  
With others you must  
share and care again.  
Reach out and comfort those who  
comfort you,  
Recall the years but only for a while,  
Nurse not your loneliness  
but live again,  
Forget not - remember with a smile.

