

Justin W. McKenzie was born to Martha and Loyd (Bud) Mckenzie on June 7, 1968. He grew up in Arvada, Wyoming. In High School, Justin met Christy who would become his wife of 31 Years. They had two boys, fraternal twins Tyler and Kaleb.

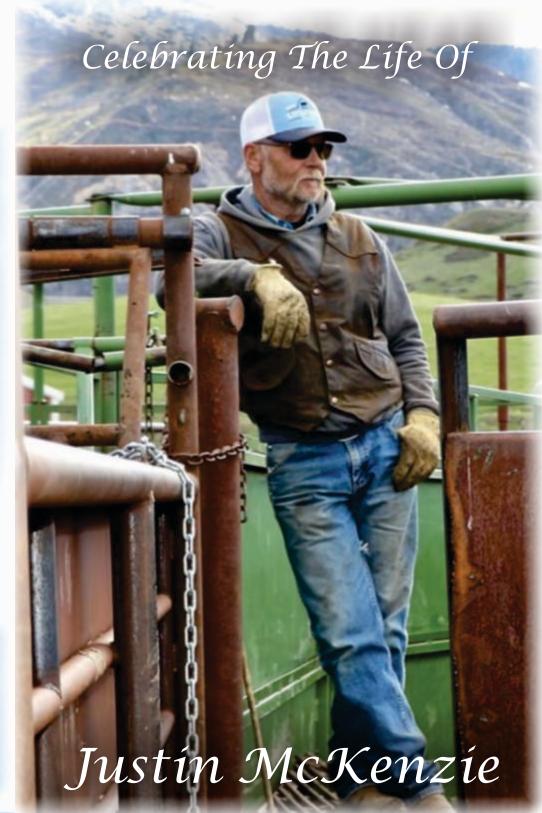
Justin was a true Cowboy, working for the UM Ranch, running cattle on the mountain outside of Buffalo Wyoming for 7 seasons. He took care of the herd through the winter, and calving season. It was a traditional ranch, feeding off horse drawn wagon no matter what the weather. Checking calves is a 24/7 job. Justin was also a professional guide on the UM, hunting Deer, Antelope, and Elk. He and Christy lived on the ranch where the boys were born. They worked together as any ranch couple would, sharing good times and bad. Hard work and fun.

They then moved on to the Canyon Ranch working for Malcom Wallop with an extensive bird farm operation, caring for the birds and the various pens. Helping with the hunting operations and preparing the birds for the clients. There was haying to be done, and irrigation to take care of as well. He came to work for Little Goose Ranch where he helped with a larger haying operation and cattle, both commercial and registered Angus. To put it simply, Justin was an all round hand that could do anything he put his stubborn mind to. Everything from cattle, to equipment, welding, haying and fence. You name it, he was there. He will be dearly missed by all who knew him. A straight shooting, honest, hard working man is rare indeed.

Husband, Father, Cowboy and all around Ranch Hand.

HONORARY PALLBEARS

Tyler McKenzie, Kaleb McKenzie, Brandon Pierce, Domenic Ruffatto Frank Dickenson, Cody Daniels, Trenton Richardson, Ed Meredith George McKenzie, Ansley Meredith, Kristine Mulligan, Matt Torrens Albert Wilson, Tom Meredith, Mark McKenzie, Megan Perkins Roy Onckelet, Ryo Nishida & Melodee McKenzie



When Tomorrow Starts Without Me

If tomorrow starts without me, And I'm not here to see, If the sun Shall rise you find your eyes All filled with tears for me;

I wish so much you wouldn't cry
The way you did today, while
Thinking of the many things
We didn't get to say.

I know how much you Love me, As much as I Love you And each time you think of me, I know you'll miss me too.

But when tomorrow starts without me Please try to understand, that An angel came and called my name And took me by the hand.

He said my place was ready, In heaven far above And that I'd have to leave behind All those I dearly love.

A tear fell from my eye.

For all my life, I'd always thought,
I didn't want to die.

I had so much to live for, So much left yet to do. It seemed almost impossible That I was leaving you.

I thought of all the yesterdays
The good ones and the bad.
I thought of all the love we shared,
And all the fun we had.

If I could relive yesterday, Just even for a while, I'd say goodbye and kiss you And maybe see you smile.

But then I fully realized That this could never be For emptiness and memories Would take the place of me.

And when I thought of worldly things
I might miss come tomorrow
I thought of you and when I did
My heart was filled with sorrow.

But when I walked through heavens gates
I felt so much at home.
When God looked down and smiled at me
From his great golden throne
He said, "This is eternity and all I've promised you"

Today your life on earth has passed
But here life starts anew.
I promise no tomorrow, but today will always last
And since each day is the same
There's no longing for the past

You have been so faithful, so trusting, so true. Though there were times you did some things You knew you shouldn't do.

But you have been forgiven And now at last you're free. So won't you come and take my hand And share my life with me?

So when tomorrow starts without me Don't think we're far apart, For every time you think of me, I'm right here in your heart.

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