



Just Ride

Up and over beautiful mountains
Along rivers lazy curves
Out and over golden straights
These beautiful sites
my visual fate

Winds pounding and pelting

Away at my soul

That massaging and cleansing

While I ride, my goal

And every breath sustains my life

Is seasoned sweetly with nature's own spice

Alone with thought on this endless pave

But far from lonely, hence a wave

From another new Brother or Sister to be

Out on their bikes, spirits so free

Live to ride and ride to live

And of yourself to others give

Ride through the rain, ride in the sun

Just ride, ride, ride

Until your body says you're done



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In Loving Memory of

John Pitz

October 16, 1956
Hoven, South Dakota

October 5, 2014
Sioux Falls, South Dakota

CELEBRATION OF LIFE SERVICE:

2:30 p.m., Sunday, October 12, 2014

Luce Funeral Home ~ Gettysburg, South Dakota

OFFICIATING: Steve Foss

HONOR BEARERS:

All of John's Nieces and Nephews

MUSICIANS: Gail Larson and Lori Harer

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John was good natured, a hard worker, and always eager to learn new things and prepare for his next great adventure; for example- riding his motorcycle from Spearfish to Alaska. He loved motorcycling, skiing, sports, travel, sunsets, playing chess and spending time with his family. John was famous for his humor, catch phrases, infectious smile and laughter. He was a kind, thoughtful and generous man and will be greatly missed.

Survivors include his three sisters: Donna Knutson of Aberdeen, Betty (Alan) Glodt of Spearfish, and Judy (Jerry) Toennies of Cresbard; and many cousins, nieces and nephews, who loved "Uncle John".

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