



## Rudolph "Rudy" Calzavara

September 26, 1928 - March 15, 2015

### CALZAVARA

Rudolph J. "Rudy" Calzavara, 86, passed away on Sunday, March 15, 2015 in Hebron, IL surrounded by his family. He was born Sept. 26, 1928 in Libertyville, where he remained a resident for 41 years. Rudy and his wife Gene moved to Lebanon, MO in 1996 and established the Big Hat Ranch. They had owned and operated the Circle "R" Stables at Route 60 and St. Mary's Road in Mettawa and also owned the Big Hat Rodeo Company for over 50 years, now in Hebron, IL. Rudy was a former member of St. Joseph Parish in Libertyville.

Surviving are 4 children, Cody (Heidi) Calzavara of Shannon, IL, Lenora (Bill) Nolan of Hebron, Frank (Dee) Calzavara of Kansasville, WI and Lee Ann Calzavara of Belvidere; 6 Grandchildren and 1 Great Grandson; 3 sisters, Lenora "Ellie" Sage of Libertyville, Cesira "Lulu" Nagler of Fairview, NC and Florence Zarletti of Kenosha, WI and over 40 nieces, nephews and many lifelong friends.

He was preceded in death by his wife Gene in 2011 and by 6 brothers and sisters and his parents, Francisco and Cesira Calzavara.

Visitation will be from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. Sunday, March 22, 2015 at the Burnett-Dane Funeral Home, 120 W. Park Ave. (Rt. 176, one block west of Milwaukee Ave.) Libertyville. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Monday, March 23 at the funeral home with Rev. Fr. John E. Hennessey, officiating. Interment will follow at St. Mary's Cemetery in Fremont Center. In

lieu of flowers, memorials to the Calzavara Memorial Rodeo Scholarship Fund would be appreciated. Info: 847-362-3009 or please sign the guest book at [www.burnettdane.com](http://www.burnettdane.com).

# Tribute Wall

JP

“ DEAR family You have deepest condolences at this time. Ride on Rudy. Jerry & Vicki

Jerry Pegelow - April 27, 2018 at 05:33 AM

DC

“ Thank you for being so good to our son, you was like a Grandfather to him.

Dennis and Sarah Cziryak - April 27, 2018 at 05:33 AM

LF

“ My family has only good thoughts about Rudy and Gene. They were a great and fantastic family. So sincere and honest in their interactions with us, we will truly miss them both. Leroy Daily family

leroy daily family - April 27, 2018 at 05:33 AM

JS

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Jake and Sharon

Jake & Sharon Sackett - April 27, 2018 at 05:33 AM

JT

“ Always will remember you you running the Big Hat Rodeo at the old Lake County Fair ,with your family helping too. Great times!!!! God Bless Rudy .

James R Turnbull - April 27, 2018 at 05:33 AM

PP

“ *I was so sorry to hear of Rudy's passing. He was my first introduction to horses more than 50 years ago and I remember him fondly. My thoughts and prayers are with Rudy's family at this sad time. May Rudy rest in the loving arms of God.*

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**Paulette Lightbody Peters** - April 27, 2018 at 05:33 AM