



## David Bean

December 4, 1956 – January 19, 2001

David Bean, who was known to many around the arena as “Big Dave”, had a very special place in his heart for the AJRA family. He served as an adult director from 1997 until cancer took his life in 2001. Big Dave was ready to help out whenever and wherever he was needed and always did so with a smile. He loved kids, and they loved him. He always had an extra seat in the pickup or an extra slot in the trailer for a kid who needed a ride for himself or their horse. In addition to his love of rodeo, David was also very supportive of all youth and family functions. He enjoyed watching his own children participate in their various activities. He was a loving husband, a devoted father, and a faithful friend.

Each year, on the first day of the AJRA National Finals, there is a **David Bean Memorial Team Roping** held to raise funds to finance the David Bean Scholarship given yearly to a deserving member of the AJRA.