

WEALTH WON'T SAVE YOUR SOUL

As we journey along, on life's wicked road,
So selfish are we, for silver and gold,
You can treasure your wealth, your diamonds and gold,
But my friends it won't save, your poor wicked soul.

For when God calls, from His home up on high,
To your earthly wealth, you must say goodbye,
Then it's useless to you, If you've strayed from the fold,
For my friend it won't save your poor wicked soul.

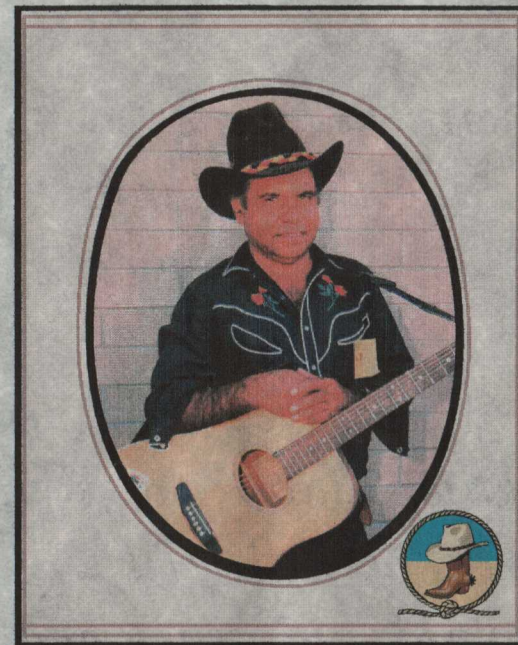
The rich man like all, will be judge at that time,
But all of his wealth, will be left behind.
For no matter how much earthly wealth you get hold,
Well my friend it won't save, your poor wicked soul.

When the world is on fire, on that judgement day,
For all of our wrongs, then we must pay,
But the debt can't be paid, with silver and gold,
No friends it won't save, your poor wicked soul.



Peacefully laid to rest at
Port Augusta Westside Cemetary
5th October 2001

In loving memory of Rex Stuart



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Face to face! O ! Blissful moment!
Face to face - to see and know;
Face to Face with my Redeemer,
Jesus Christ, who loves me so.

*Beloved son of
Lawrie & the late Doreen Stuart*

*Special & Always loved Soulmate of
Angelina*

*Cherished and loved father of
Dawn, Noblelene, Aaron, Virginia and
Corrina*

*Beloved Appa to
Leilamarie, Eldine, Angelina, Berelda,
Tristina, Chantelle, Tiffany, Shaquille,
Dominique, Cassius, and Torrina*

*Loved father-in-law to
Peter, Pauline, Helen, Jason and Adam*



Rex Stuart, 60, of Port Augusta, formerly of Finnis Springs died suddenly on Friday 28th September, 2001 near Hucks Lookout, in the Flinders Ranges.

He was born on the 13th of March 1941, in Finnis Springs. He was the third child of Lawrie, and the late Doreen Stuart. Rex was also brother to Lenny, Dora (deceased), Lawrence, Dean, Joy, Pauline, Kaylene, and Robert.

Rex will be fondly remembered by the names his children referred to him as Apatji, grandchildren called him Appa, and many other's called him Recko.

Apatji was a talented Aboriginal man, Stockman/Cowboy, Musician, Artist, Craftsman, Linguist, Interpreter, Teacher and Family man. Archiologists will remember his dedication and contributions to the preservation of Aboriginal sites. And the State of competitive Gymkhana's has lost one of its great men. Apatji was a proud Arabunna man, who loved his culture, and language. He learnt to speak his language Arabunna, and also Antirinyi, and Pitjatjantjara fluently, in his early childhood. This all happened when he lived with his Bilya-Bilya (grandmother), who moved back and forth from Finnis Springs and Maccumba. He ensured that the Arabunna language would not be lost, so he made recordings and documented the Arabunna language. Later in life this proved to be a priceless and valuable cultural resource.

Rex attended the Finnis Springs mission school, and went to Grade 7. At the age of fourteen, he went to work as a stockman, for 3years at (Kallie-Cooper), Macumba Station, which is near the top of Lake Eyre. He also worked as a stockman at Wichilina Station and Wongianna, then worked for the Railways at Curdimurka, and Maree doing trainshipping. Apatji also worked as a drover Lake Nash, Alice Springs and Mount Isa, Queensland. Apatji then travelled to Adelaide and worked in the trenches, before moving to Port Augusta to work at the Railway Buckwelders. Whilst here in Port Augusta he met and married Angelina Mckenzie, and they had five children. The family then moved to a place called Bruce, and Wilmington, where Rex continued to work for the Railways. After a while they moved to Port Augusta, and lived on Davenport Community, where Rex worked as a mechanic, and getting his trade as a qualified mechanic. This led him onto working for CD Motors. Rex rekindle his relationship with His Lord, and attended the Brethren church, and then the Seventh Day Adventist where he was baptised, he also attended the Jehovah Witness, who gave Rex valuable support, and fellowship.

Apatji gained the position of Manager at the Baroota Dry-out Farm. He also worked for Aboriginal Legal Rights Movement, National Parks & Wildlife, and Department of State Aboriginal Affairs. He was also Regional Councillor on the Nulla Wimilia Kutju Regional Council.

Rex leaves behind a legacy of lives touched. He was a dear Uncle who held special relationships with his nephews Clinton Warren & Shane McKenzie who highly respected, loved and admired him, also including niece Ernestine. He loved all his children and grandchildren, father, sisters and brothers, nieces and nephews, and extended family. Rex had a soft spot for children and others less fortunate and would take them under his wings. He also did work for Monash University, working with students whom adopted and loved his style of teaching. Apatji had a love of horses, and loved the great outdoors, especially camping at Finnis Springs and Wirrialpa where he would return for holidays. He loved camping and cooking kangaroo in the ashes, and his children had a nickname for his Damper, calling it the "Arabunna Damper". He also loved playing and singing a tune. It must be stated however that no-one has beaten his record in the Gymkhana event "Crack the Whip", which was held in Coober Pedy, at a time of nine seconds. During his last years Rex stayed with his sister Kaylene, brother-in-law Dennis, and their children Chelsea and Shilton, whom took him in and sheltered him. There caring and love helped him rebuild his life and you could see he got a new zest for life.

Sadly on the 28th of September 2001, Rex suddenly passed away. No farewells were spoken, no time to say goodbye. We give him back to you O God, Our Apatji, our Appa, my son, our brother, our Uncle, our friend, our teacher we thank you, and will always love you. Rex is survived by his children, Dawn Likouresis, Noblelene, Aaron, Virginia, and Corrina. Grandchildren Leilamarie, Eldine, Angelina, Berelda, Tristina, Chantelle, Tiffany, Shaquille, Dominique, Cassius, and Torrina. His father Lawrie, his brothers Lenny, Lawrence, Dean, and Robert. Sisters Joy, Pauline, and Kaylene.