

IN MEMORIUM

Martin Lammers 1955-2023

Martin Lammers of Fort Bridger passed away April 4th, 2023. He was 68 years old and had spent the last 32 years doing volunteer archaeological work for Fort Bridger State Historic Site. When he passed, he was the serving President for the Fort Bridger Historical Association, a position he had held since 2003. He was fond of saying he was at the first Rendezvous at Fort Bridger in 1973 or, he would add with a smile, “maybe 1971.” He never missed a Rendezvous.

Martin began working in Archaeology in 1992. From 1996 to 2022, he essentially worked full time in the field or cataloging artifacts. He worked primarily in Wyoming and Colorado but also worked in California, Tennessee, and Montana. He loved excavating at Fort Bridger the most.

At the time of his death, Martin was an active archaeologist; he had a co-authored an article that

was accepted for publication just days before he passed (see Gardner and Lammers, this volume). Among the articles he co-authored was “Excavations at Stage Stations in Southwest Wyoming and the Stage Station at Fort Bridger” which appeared in the *Journal of Historical Archaeology* in the fall of 2022 and “Archaeological Excavations Fort Bridger,” part of the Fall 2011 edition of *The Wyoming Archaeologist*. In addition, Martin co-authored numerous archaeological reports.

Martin was a gracious, kind man who is missed and will always be remembered for his love of Fort Bridger. Graveside services were held for Martin in Fort Bridger on June 10th, 2023. A memorial statue is being planned in honor of all his years of volunteer service to Fort Bridger State Historic Site.

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