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August 5th

The next morning we headed out to the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center for the Sturgis Motorcycle Hall of Fame Induction Breakfast. Again many notable people were there, but this day wasn't about them, it was about the 7 new people that were getting inducted into the Hall of Fame. These folks are

** Jack Kirchgesler, got the J.C. "Pappy" Hoel Outstanding Achievement Award

** James Clark of James Gasket Inc.

** Cookie Crum

** Lou Kimzey- Creator and publisher of Easyriders,

** John Lehman- Founder of Lehman Trikes.

** Dale Walksler is the founder, owner and curator of the Wheels Through Time Museum in Maggie Valley, North Carolina.

And the Freedom Fighters Hall of Fame Inductee for 2009 was Jay Jackson of Indiana. Read more about these inductees at www.sturgismuseum.com/hall-of-fame

After a buffet style breakfast, the ceremonial start with the pledge and a quick version of Dave doing his flag speech including the new Harley CEO holding the American flag. The inductees and/or their representatives were given time to share a story or two about the inductee. Some were shorter than others. Cookie Crum & Lou Kimzey's daughter kept the crowd intrigued about their past experiences while John Lehman told of what it took to overcome his personal obstacles to get to the top. My sincere congratulations to all inductees and I hope that all made it home safe.



You deserve it.

After the ceremony Dan & I headed towards home

via the lower Badlands. This is definitely a must see for those that have never been out west. We hooked back up with Dave at a fuel stop and we beat feet towards home. With an over night stop, I made it home by 3pm Thursday Aug 6th. As stated prior in the story, I am saving the major sight seeing for when Lorie is with me so we can enjoy the sites together.

Will I go again, absolutely, but I still don't have to like riding with that many people. Take Care and have a great ride the rest of the year.



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