



Calvin David McDowall

November 12, 2021

Third-generation “Moses Laker” Calvin David McDowall was born at Samaritan Hospital in 1955 to Harry and Arlene McDowall, when the Columbia Basin was being built out of sand and sagebrush. Raised on a dairy farm like the one of his grandparents, who “came here with the water,” Calvin continued the building as contractor in the Basin most of his life, as well as operating a farm, passing the values of hard work and family devotion of his parents along to his own children and grandchildren. As a young man Calvin reflected the early Basin’s “wild west” individualism and “go for it” attitude that only gradually mellowed over the years as he grew to love teaching the things he’d learned along the way. In 1983 he met the love of his life Casey. They married in 1984 and started creating an amazing life for themselves and their kids. From boating, to camping, to farm fun it was always an adventure with him.

With contracting came trucks and big machinery, which Calvin enjoyed immensely. He felt most comfortable being on the move, rolling in his pickup, riding four-wheelers, meeting up with his family for lunch while they camped, and his Friday lunch dates with his brother Neil. Calvin liked to be busy, and if there wasn't some sort of operation at hand, he'd get one (or three) going, as is the nature of a successful family farmer.

As his children grew up and the grandchildren started coming, Calvin built a house big enough to host his entire extended family and reveled in the voices of his grandchildren, whom he sought to spend time with every day. As gruff as he was his grandchildren melted his heart.

Calvin passed peacefully in his sleep Nov. 12, 2021. He is survived by his wife Casey,

daughters Kelly (Bryan) Dowland, Brandy (Travis) Grigg, and sons Corey (Jaime) Mayer, Gordy (Simone) Hampton, and Cody (Heather) McDowall.

His twelve grandchildren are: Kobi and Peyton Dowland: Corbin, Sheldon and Ivy Grigg: Kaylin and Dylan Hampton: Sawyer, Ellie and Chad McDowall; and Trenton and Bryson Mayer.

He is also survived by his three siblings: Deborah Marchmonte, Neil McDowall and Susan

Knowles. Calvin is the first to pass of 15 cousins, all grandchildren of Lenora Hansen, one of the matriarchs of early Moses Lake.

Services will be held on November 20th, 2021, 11 am at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 925 N Grape Drive, Moses Lake WA. Burial to

follow at Pioneer Memorial Service
on Rd 2.

<https://zoom.us/j/99095250329?pwd=Y1N0aFpLQ3FUVmFRWlpveGt4RjZlZlQ5MjU0MzI5>
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Meeting ID: 990 9525 0329

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Cemetery Details

Pioneer Memorial Gardens

14403 Rd. 2 Ne
Moses Lake, WA

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **20**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (PT)

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints - Grape Drive Chapel
925 N. Grape Dr.
Moses Lake, WA

Service

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Tribute Wall

SW

“ Casey and family Calvin will be missed, he is with you always. God bless all of you.

Shirley Woodworth - November 19, 2021 at 02:02 PM

DC

“ Debbie, I was so sorry to hear of the passing of your brother Calvin. My thoughts are with you. Deb Campbell

Deb Campbell - November 18, 2021 at 03:33 PM

CM

Debbie and Casey, I am so very sorry for your loss, Carla McKean

carla McKean - November 29, 2021 at 10:40 PM

TB

“ Todd Bohne lit a candle in memory of Calvin David McDowall



Todd Bohne - November 17, 2021 at 11:24 PM

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“ I remember Calvin so fondly working with him in the insurance industry. He was gruff initially but after many years of visiting with him, you saw his smile more often than his gruff. My deepest condolences to his large family.

N.Willis - November 16, 2021 at 07:32 PM

RS

“ *Randall Stewart lit a candle in memory of
Calvin David Mcdowall*



Randall Stewart - November 16, 2021 at 02:10 PM