



## Calvin Arthur Steele

February 29, 1956 - July 14, 2019

Calvin A Steele, 63, of Moses Lake, Washington passed away peacefully in his home on July 14, 2019.

Calvin was born February 29, 1956 to Bill and Colleen Steele in Othello, Washington. He graduated from Moses Lake High School in 1974 and was an outstanding wrestler. For years he had been employed by Cole Farms (Ivan and Doug Cole) and Dolittle Sitmore Farms (Danny Litowitz).

Reflecting on Calvin's life. He was kind, humble and very soft spoken, he always had time for giving you a moment or two of his time. He was a true farmer who worked hard, he loved to drive tractor. He never was one to complain about how old or new the tractors were, he would just drive anything nobody else wanted to drive. Just get the fields ready. A breadwinner who provided, a husband who loved his wife and best friend, Dianna. A father who loved his children with no judgement. A neighbor who helped in any way he could to make you laugh and have a wonderful day.

Over the last few days there was no talk of extraordinary achievements or spectacular events, there was just talk about the man, Calvin Steele. His love for farming, NASCAR, fast cars, Cold Beer and his family and dear friends. He was a simple man, never asking or needing much. A warm place to sleep and food, and he was happy. Calvin's greatest possessions were his dignity and honesty. He cherished all of his children, each and every one of them. He loved watching NASCAR on weekends with Monte. Doing crazy school projects with his children. He will be very much missed.

Calvin is survived by his wife Dianna Palmer (Steele); his children, Douglas, Kimberly, Elizabeth, Nelson, Rosalie and Manny. His special granddaughter Madelynn. Also Cole and Ryder and Grandma Bush. His siblings and their spouses, Rodney and Betsy, Steve and Tracy, Rosie and her dear friend Mary and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in his death by his parents Bill and Colleen Steele, sister Brenda Steele and his daughter Sofia Palmer.

A special thank you to Van Dyke and Cedergreen Farms where Calvin was currently employed. Calvin was very proud to work with such a wonderful crew on the farm.

There will be a memorial service held at Kayser's Chapel of Memories, 831 S. Pioneer Way, Moses Lake, WA on Friday, July 26, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. The family invites you to join them for a celebration of life at the home of Kimberly and Cole directly following the service. Please R.S.V.P. to Kimberly at (509) 361-8730.

Donations to the family may be made at <http://gf.me/u/t5b3s3>

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

JUL **26**. 1:00 PM (PT)

Kayser's Chapel of Memories  
831 S. Pioneer Way  
Moses Lake, WA

# Tribute Wall



“ *Kayser's Chapel of Memories created a Tribute Video in memory of Calvin Arthur Steele*



**Kayser's Chapel of Memories** - July 25, 2019 at 11:25 AM

JS

*Sorry for your loss. Judy Schmidt*

**Judy Schmidt** - July 27, 2019 at 05:12 PM

DP

*There are NO words to describe what are family is going through right now. Calvin was everything to our family and to me. I not only have lost my very best friend, but a very wonderful father to all our children. The kids are hurting. We as a family could never say enough Thank You's to all the wonderful friends who have stepped forward with meals and support to us at this time of need. Our hearts are broken with the loss of Calvin and it will be be a long road ahead of us with out him here at at our home. LIFE WILL NEVER BE THE SAME FOR THE CHILDREN AND MYSELF. NEVER!! Love you with all my heart and soul, the kids miss you terribly. Dianna and children*

**Dianna Palmer** - August 12, 2019 at 12:50 AM

DP

*Happy Fathers Day PaPa. You were the best dad ever, miss you so very much today. With all our love and big hugs, Kimmy, Lizzy, Doug, Nelson, Rosalie and Manny. Mom made breakfast LOL.*

**Dianna Palmer** - June 21, 2020 at 04:32 PM

MD

*My dad races with Calvin Steele and Jim glass good frien*

**Michael Duckworth** - July 22, 2024 at 10:36 PM

MD

“ *Calvin Steele and Jim glass was my dad racing friends in 1975 to 1980*

**Michael Duckworth** - November 25, 2024 at 07:16 PM

DP

“ *Dianna Palmer lit a candle in memory of Calvin Arthur Steele*



**Dianna Palmer** - October 03, 2020 at 09:40 PM

GC

“ *Gregory J Cochran lit a candle in memory of Calvin Arthur Steele*



**Gregory J Cochran** - April 03, 2020 at 05:05 AM

DP

“ *Dianna Palmer lit a candle in memory of Calvin Arthur Steele*



**Dianna Palmer** - December 07, 2019 at 09:22 PM

DP

“ *Dianna Palmer lit a candle in memory of Calvin Arthur Steele*



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**Dianna Palmer** - August 19, 2019 at 09:51 PM

MS

“ *Went to school with Calvin, although I haven't seen him for many years he does stick in my memory because of his gentle nature and humor. He was a good kid so I have no doubt he was a good man. Melissa (Williamson) Simmons*

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**Melissa Simmons** - August 10, 2019 at 01:20 PM

JH

“ *Wow! I grew up working & living on the Cole Farm. I remember Calvin always teasing me about being a boy. I have great memories of him, Ivan, Doug and Jeff Cole (my dad was Mahlon Hargraves).*

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**Julie Hargraves** - July 26, 2019 at 11:57 AM

FG

“ *Dianna & family, We have known Calvin since his teenage years and so sorry for your loss. He was a good hearted man and we loved the funny stories about Calvin and his friends in their younger years. May you find peace in all your memories. Fran & Boyd Grant*

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**Fran Grant** - July 23, 2019 at 03:52 PM

DC

“ Though we never had the opportunity to meet Calvin in person, we felt we knew him from the stories Dianna, Nelson, Rosalie and Manny share with us. We know he was a fabulous man because of the love they all shared. Our condolences to the entire family. If we can help in anyway please let us know. Diana and Chris

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**Diana and Chris** - July 22, 2019 at 05:36 PM

KR

“ I will always remember our dear sweet calvin. always there to lend a shoulder or an ear our just make you laugh he will be missed. Diana, I wish you and your family Monty, Liz, and everyone else the best and may your grief be short for he wouldn't want you to remember him sad but happy. If you need anything or just someone to talk to I will be there.  
Love you all and miss everyone  
Kris Rogers

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**Kris Rogers** - July 20, 2019 at 04:58 PM