



## Clarence Hayes

February 4, 1940 - April 7, 2017

Clarence Leldon Hayes 77, of Moses Lake, went to be with the Lord on April 7, 2017 at Confluence Health Hospital in Wenatchee, WA

Celebration of Life Services will be held on Friday April 21, 2017 at 2 pm at Kayser's Chapel, 831 South Pioneer Way, Moses Lake WA 98837 Please sign the online guestbook or share a memory with the family at [www.kayserschapel.com](http://www.kayserschapel.com) Arrangements are in care of Kayser's Chapel & Crematory.

Clarence was born in Yelm, WA on February 4th 1940 to Gano and Elizabeth Hayes. Life in Yelm was freedom for Clarence, he grew up riding his bike, causing a bit of trouble (which his dad quickly corrected any time he was caught) and the outdoorsman in him was just beginning to bud. During his days at Yelm high school he was working on his "charming" skills while being co-captain of the varsity football team. In 1959, his senior year, he was voted in as class president although he could have held a second title as class clown. After honing his skills for life, he entered what would be his lifelong passion and career, Washington Fish and Wildlife. Expanding his love of family, Clarence and his first wife Sharon added three beautiful children to his life. As a lifelong Washington resident, diving in the Puget Sound was a hobby he enjoyed and he was also able to turn it into a job for a short period of time. In 1980, Clarence met Darlene and was able to utilize those finely tuned "charming" skills to convince her to marry him in 1986 where he then acquired

three more children adding more excitement than sometimes he wanted to his life. Clarence loved posting his “word of the day” all over the house trying to expand everyone’s vocabulary. He would have retired in Alaska if he could have convinced Darlene to go with him, instead he settled for long drawn out hunting trips to Montana with buddies.

Clarence is preceded in death by son Christopher Hayes, brother Jess, mother and father.

Clarence is survived by his Wife: Darlene Hayes, Son: John Hayes, Daughter: Edith Hayes, Step Daughters: Charlene Halbach, JoDee and husband Mike Hickey, Tonya Hanna and fiancé Robert Lowe, Grandchildren: Nicole Hayes, Sarah Hayes, Aubrey Hayes, Dera Crosby, Thresa Reed, Douglas Yurian, Justin Pelham, Jacob Hickey, KarLee Pelham, Jasey Mease, Great Grandchildren: Mallory, Easton, Kalobe, Olivia, Nathan, Averi, Randi Mae, Paxton

Memorials may be given to [www.gofundme.com/clarencehayes](http://www.gofundme.com/clarencehayes) in memory of Clarence; the money raised will go to finding a cure for Dementia.

The family of Clarence Hayes wishes to extend our sincere thanks to the staff on the third floor of Confluence Heath Hospital in Wenatchee Washington for the outstanding care. Thank you to Dr. Kendall Blair and the cardiologist team. We also wish to thank the Chaplin, Jamie, for helping us through one of the most difficult days of our lives.

# Previous Events

## Service

APR 21. 2:00 PM (PT)

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

# Tribute Wall

JH

“ *A person just doesn't know what is missing till it's gone* ”

John Hayes - September 01, 2025 at 09:18 PM

MM

“ *Michelle Mathews lit a candle in memory of Clarence Hayes* ”



Michelle Mathews - August 01, 2017 at 11:33 PM

RV

“ *Roxann Veden lit a candle in memory of Clarence Hayes* ”



Roxann Veden - April 22, 2017 at 06:13 PM

RV

“ To Darlene and the family of Clarence,  
I've been working in my garden this morning and thinking of Clarence as I mentioned before. In the past, I clearly remember how proud Clarence was of his gardening techniques and successes, even down to his wonderful compost pile! He was always happy to share the excess, his wonderful tips, questions, and concerns. Years ago, when Tonya and Joelle shared a home, he, Dealene and I had more opportunities to be around each other. We would gather at the girls' home for special occasions. Clarence and I were usually up sharing an early morning cup or two of coffee and interesting, varied conversation before others woke up. We both lost beautiful sons and we understood our "what ifs" and "I wished I would have", and we were able to give each other encouragement with acceptance also. In my eyes, he was a very hard worker, a thoughtful, sincere, generous, and understanding man. I will always remember him for these ways. So sorry for your more recent sadnesses and struggles as things changed with his illness. Don't know how to end this, but I hope you all feel God's arms around you, as Clarence does now, and that when in the garden and the sunshine you will be reminded of Clarence's loving ways.

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**Roxann Veden** - April 22, 2017 at 06:12 PM

KD

“ Karen Denton lit a candle in memory of Clarence Hayes



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**Karen Denton** - April 20, 2017 at 05:54 PM

KK

“ 55 years - 55 years a dear friend. I can't remember meeting a better man. Karen joins me in extending to your family our sincere condolences. At another time, in another place, we'll have another beer together my friend. In the meantime, Rest in Peace.

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**Ken Kernan** - April 13, 2017 at 12:14 PM

RL

“ One of the most Interesting people I have ever met. He was never short on stories of the past. His love for everything outdoors was second to only one! His Honey as he would proclaim till his last days. Correcting one of the nurses calling him honey, to point to Darlene and say "That is My Honey". He always had a "wity" comment or comeback when caught with his hand in the cookie jar or going for another ice cream bar. Full of Smiles and Always a Firm handshake. He loved to teach and share his knowledge with me no matter the subject. He was a true man. I will always cherish the times we spent together working around the property or just enjoying a good cup of coffee sitting around the old stove. There is so much I could say but I'll leave it at this. Clarence was a man's man, and he was an Amazing Father in-law and friend who will be missed greatly...Clarence! Stay out of Trouble and I look forward to the stories when I see you again.

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**Robert J. Lowe** - April 13, 2017 at 09:15 AM

JS

“ Darlene and Family our hearts go out to you. Lil and I will miss mister Horn very much. We have such fond memories of our trips to Montana and Washington. He was a special friend to both of us at all times. Jay and Lil Sooter.

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**Jay Sooter** - April 12, 2017 at 04:03 PM

LM

“ *Darlene,  
I offer my sincere condolences. Clarence was a very good man and  
will be missed.  
I enjoyed our occasional catch up sessions.  
Lee Mease*

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**Lee Mease** - April 11, 2017 at 10:06 PM

KD

*Clarence was a great Father & Grandfather! He was known & loved by  
many. Sincere condolences Darlene, from Jim & Karen Denton.*

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**Karen Denton** - April 20, 2017 at 05:53 PM