



Don L. Goodwin

October 30, 1931 - March 2, 2014

Donald (Don) Leon Goodwin born on October 30, 1931 to William (Bill) and Ida Eccles Goodwin who homesteaded the beloved ranch where Don passed on March 2, 2014. He lived all his 82 years on his ranch in Mae Valley.

Don graduated from Moses Lake High School in 1949 after winning the WA State FFA Star Farmer Award in 1948. He was one of 5 finalist for the American Farmer- highest FFA degree- in 1950. He was a farmer who tended soil and animals most of his life.

Don was also active duty in the US Army October 1953 for 3 month with an honorable hardship discharge when his father died and he returned home to tend the farm.

He was an active broker/salesman of farm properties with brother-in-law Ed Ebel from 1964 to 1976. Followed by four terms (16 years) as Grant County Commissioner District 1, 1976-1992.

Don was a very active supporter of the community:

Agriculture Stabilization and Conservation Service (ASCS) committeeman- 15 yrs.

Soil Conservation Supervisor 1959-1989.

Soil Conservation District Wildlife Farmer of the year 1995

Active Little League coach 1963-1968

Grant County Rural Fire Dept Dist 5 – 28 years

Committee for the Preservation of Water Rights- Secretary

Moses Lake Chamber of Commerce Agriculture Committee Chair

BBCC Booster Club member
Farmers Market vendor

Don married Shirley Jones May 1953 to which were born Jackie Lynn August 1955 and Rodney Alan Sept 1956.

He married Sally Dorsey Miles on March 2, 1974 with stepson Jeffrey Miles.

Don was survived by his wife, Sally, son Rod (Debra) Goodwin, Moses Lake, grandsons Jared -18 and Joshua almost 16. Stepson Jeff (Kari-Mae) Miles, Seattle and grandsons Robert-9 and Matthew -6. Brother-in law Chuck (Martha) Dorsey of Prescott AZ & Nephews Bill (Suzanne) Ebel- Albuquerque NM, Ken (Kathi) Goodwin- Walla Walla, WA, Gary Goodwin Moses Lake, Mike (Carol) Garneau-Moses Lake. Nieces Ann Ebel- Moses Lake, Nanci Goodwin Moses Lake, Leslie Garneau- East Wenatchee, Kim (Mike) Plese- Enumclaw WA, Gloria (Lee) Savage- Moses Lake , Russell Garneau- Riverside, CA.

Many grandnephews and grandnieces and cousins.

Preceding in death were parents Bill and Ida Goodwin, sister Marge and brother-in-law Ed Ebel, brother Dr R.W. (Bob) and sister-in-law Gayle Goodwin, and daughter Jackie L Goodwin.

A loving husband, father, grandfather and uncles- he will be sorely missed.

Memorials in Don's name may be made to the local MLHS FFA program, c/o Washington Trust Bank, P.O. Box 1099, Moses Lake, WA 98837.

Private family burial will be at Pioneer Memorial Gardens. A celebration of Don's life will be held at 2:00 p.m., Friday, March 7, 2014 at the Moses Lake Presbyterian Church, 1142 W. Ivy. Please sign the online guestbook or leave a note for the family at www.kayserschapel.com Arrangements are in care of Kayser's Chapel & Crematory.

Cemetery Details

Pioneer Memorial Gardens

14403 Rd. 2 Ne
Moses Lake, WA

Previous Events

Service

MAR 7. 2:00 PM (PT)

Moses Lake Presbyterian Church
1142 W. Ivy
Moses Lake, WA

Tribute Wall

CH

“ *Sally, I am so sorry about your loss. My condolences to you and the rest of your family.*

Carol D Haas (Groszhans, WHS '62)

Carol Haas - March 13, 2014 at 04:26 PM

AP

“ *Sally, so wishing we could be there! Thinking of you all the time! Big hugs your way. Sure will miss Don!*

amy paul - March 06, 2014 at 03:42 PM

JA

“ *Sally and Family, our hearts and prayers go out to you all, and we share in your loss. Don lives on through the wonderful family he leaves behind, and his many accomplishments. Most of us will never achieve a fraction of what Don did..and what was unique about him was that he was both a great steward of the land but also an intellectual. Rest in Peace Don, you have earned it. John Anzelini and Family*

john anzelini - March 06, 2014 at 12:48 PM

RM

“ *My father and Don were friends for many years. I got to know Don through politics. I was young and thought politics was what I wanted to be involved in. Don was a man who was not afraid to tackle tough issues. Don had a big heart and a very kind nature to him. He touched and influenced a lot of people in the Moses Lake region. My thoughts and prayers go out to the entire Goodwin Family. Ray Moog... East Wenatchee, WA*

Ray Moog - March 06, 2014 at 08:55 AM

AM

“ Sally and family, our thoughts and prayers are with you. Don was a great man as we all know. With kind regards and deep sympathy.

Alan & Nancy McFadin

Alan McFadin - March 05, 2014 at 10:17 PM

TA

“ Sally, my deepest sympathy. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Hugs. Tiena Anderson

tiena anderson - March 05, 2014 at 06:07 PM

AP

“ My Thoughts and Prayers are with you Sally and family as you go through this difficult time. Don was a great person and supported the community and county. His service is greatly appreciated. May your fond memories sustain you as you move forward with the changes in your life. God Bless all of you. Alice Parker

Alice Parker - March 05, 2014 at 03:36 PM

JW

“ I met Don when Rod and I started kindergarten. Jackie was my maid of honor and Rod was the brother I never had and Shirley was like a second mom. Don got tired of taking Jackie & I back and forth between our houses.. Don gave her "greeny". An old John Deer tractor !!! He said he knew that we wouldn't go farther than the state park in a tractor...

Don, you had the patience of a saint !!

RIP Don

Janice Bartley Widmer - March 05, 2014 at 03:06 PM

ER

“ Don will be truly missed. We have been good friends for many many years. I will always remember going to breakfast and working with him on the farm. My thoughts are with Sally and the family. Rest in Peace, Don.
Ed Ruff



Ed Ruff - March 04, 2014 at 10:31 PM

CC

“ So sorry to hear of Don's passing, I know it had been a rough few months and now he can rest and be in peace. Our thoughts and prayers go out to you all. Let me know if I can do anything. Love and miss you guys!
Love Cheryl and JR Cox and family.

Cheryl Cox - March 04, 2014 at 10:42 AM

KH

“ Prayers to you and your family Sally. The Lord will see you through.
Krystal Trammell - Haneberg

krystal trammell haneberg - March 03, 2014 at 04:07 PM

TM

“ We have been neighbors for 20 years, everyone should be as lucky as we have been to have such a kind man as a neighbor and friend. Dons presence in our lives will be missed. Our deepest sympathy to Sally and all of Dons family.

Trina & Jack Myrick - March 03, 2014 at 03:14 PM

TE

“ I knew Don from a local dental office. He was very pleasant and liked to joke around. I enjoyed seeing him come into the office. He will be greatly missed. My prayers are with the family.

Teresa - March 03, 2014 at 02:38 PM

CG

“ What a BEAUTIFUL man! Thank you for sharing Don with me. I didn't know him long enough but enjoyed everytime he came in. I will miss him. Please accept my condolences. / Cynthia Gamboa-Whiting- Rockwood Heart & Vascular Moses Lake

Cynthia Gamboa-Whiting - March 03, 2014 at 01:40 PM

CH

Sorry to hear of Don's passing away, he was one nice gentlemen. will miss our long time Friend in Moses Lake. Our Sympathy to Don's Family. Sincerely, The Hauff Family. R.I.P. Don. GOD BLESS YOU.

Charlotte Hauff - March 03, 2014 at 04:06 PM