



Elmo Ray Burgess

February 5, 1943 - October 5, 2017

Elmo Ray Burgess, 74, a resident of Moses Lake since 1976 passed away at home with his beloved wife Barbara by his side Thursday, October 5th, 2017. Ray was born in Lovelock, Nevada on February 5, 1943, son of the late Elmo and Luella (Gould) Burgess. He transferred from Missoula, Montana to Moses Lake in 1976 to be the Meat Manager for Buttrey's Grocery Store. He worked in the Meat industry for 42 years. In some of his spare time he enjoyed going to Tiffany's Resort with his family and many friends. He enjoyed teaching his family everything about fishing and water skiing. Ray also had such a kind heart for animals, especially cats, even building a kitty condo for them. Ray was an extremely loving husband to his wife, Barbara, of 30 years. He was a proud father to his son Johnny Burgess and his wife Flor of Moses Lake, his daughter Penny Byers and her husband Rod of Post Falls, his son Kerry Stoltz and his wife Janine of Puyallup, son Kevin Stoltz of Seattle, and Masako Stoltz of Auburn. He also has two brothers Ralph and George. "Grandpa Ray" was also a loving grandfather to 15 beautiful grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren. Ray loved his heavenly father Jehovah and was passionate about sharing the bible hope for the future. He knew the hope for the dead and that all those in the memorial tombs would hear his voice and come out. (John 5:28,29)

Memorial services will be held at 3:00 PM Saturday October 14th at the Moses Lake High School Theater with a reception following.

Previous Events

Service

OCT **14.** 3:00 PM (PT)

Moses Lake High School
Moses Lake, WA

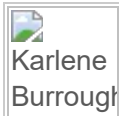
Tribute Wall



“ *There are so many great memories with Grandpa Ray. I miss him so much. I wish I had spent more time with him. I love you and will miss you so much!!? Karlene*



Karlene Burroughs - October 13, 2017 at 03:33 AM



Miss everyone!!!!!!

Karlene Burroughs - November 24, 2017 at 06:10 AM

EC

“ *Heb 13:7 " Remember those taking the lead among you." Ray was a wonderful Elder, Shepard, and Brother who lovingly counseled us and taught us more than we can thank him for. Thank you Barb and everyone for sharing him with us. Love Beth Micah Cameron and Dorathy*

Elizabeth Cruz-Smith - October 12, 2017 at 09:49 PM

RU

“ *Roger And Joy Underwood lit a candle in memory of Elmo Ray Burgess*



Roger and Joy Underwood - October 11, 2017 at 12:29 AM



Ray was a good man an a good father an most of all he was a good friend for so menu years rip an I will see you soon your friend Toni

Toni Cavazos - August 05, 2025 at 10:54 PM

JA

“ *Jolene & Angel lit a candle in memory of Elmo Ray Burgess*



Jolene & Angel - October 10, 2017 at 10:32 PM

TC

“ *Toni Cavazos lit a candle in memory of Elmo Ray Burgess*



toni cavazos - October 10, 2017 at 02:04 PM

TC

“ *I WORKED WITH RAY AT BUTTERY'S FOOD HE WAS A VERY KIND-HEARTED PERSON AND WE ALL HAD A GREAT TIME WORKING WITH HIM, If you were willing to learn he would teach you all he knew, I will truly miss him and his laughter. may the Lord be with his family, and take care of you all. your friend Toni Cavazos*

toni cavazos - October 10, 2017 at 01:36 PM

SC

“ I always enjoyed the times I got to spend with Ray and Barb. Ray was a very loving and kind soul. I am sorry for your loss. I am sure he will be missed by many! Hugs and loves to you all!

Sue Campbell - October 09, 2017 at 02:52 PM

BB

“ The news of losing “Uncle Ray” is so difficult to comprehend. Most of my memories of him were visits from he, Aunt Barbara, John & Penny to Twin Falls to spend time with Gram & Grampa Burgess in Twin Falls but my most memorable time was when Leanne (my better half) @ I were able to make a trip to their home during Thanksgiving in 2012. I’ll be forever thankful that we were able to make that trip happen. You will be greatly missed Uncle Ray! My heart goes out to Aunt Barbara & cousins John & Penny! Love from Butch, Leanne, James, Ryan, & Luke!

Butch Burgess - October 08, 2017 at 08:28 PM

BB

“ Uncle Ray, I remember as a little tiny girl sitting on your lap, probably playing "barber shop" putting barrettes in your hair. All the cousins and family would be watching a movie, and you'd fall asleep :) You're my wonderful Uncle, always kindhearted, beloved, and I miss you!

Becki Burgess - October 07, 2017 at 03:33 PM



“ I am so sorry to hear of Ray's passing, I worked with him at Buttreys for m any years. He was a very kind man . We had a lot of fun in those days. keeping your family in my thoughts

Donna Anderson - October 06, 2017 at 11:07 PM

FB

“ *I love being a Burgess! Thanks for everything Dad-especially for giving me my Johnny. You will always be my hero. We will carry on the Curlew tradition with you in our hearts. ~~~Forever your '3rd' daughter in law-Flor Carina Garcia Burgess*

Flor Carina Garcia Burgess - October 06, 2017 at 03:42 PM