



Franklin Gerald "Jerry" Hansen

May 9, 1940 - December 30, 2019

Franklin Gerald "Jerry" Hansen died suddenly at his home Monday, December 30th of natural causes. He was born May 9th, 1940 in Wenatchee, WA to Frank "Tub" and Wanda (Hill) Hansen. The first of four siblings, the family lived in Moses Lake, WA with a large extended family nearby. Jerry graduated from Moses Lake High School in 1958 and Washington State University in 1963 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Agricultural Economics. He wed his childhood sweetheart, Mara Gene Stockton in Moses Lake, WA on Nov 12th, 1960. They soon welcomed two daughters, Kimberly and Deena.

Jerry began his career as a rancher and farmer in Mae Valley with his father and brother and was recognized as a national Young Farmer of the Year in the mid-70's. He was a pillar of the Moses Lake community serving as a volunteer fireman for Grant County Fire District 5, a CPR Instructor and Instructor Trainer, and a Moses Lake School District board member. He was a lifelong member and board member of the Moses Lake Roundup Rodeo Association. Jerry began working for Washington State as a workplace safety advisor in the early 80's and moved to Tacoma in 1986 when he accepted a position there. He retired in 2005.

Jerry and Mara subsequently embarked on a long-planned 2-year tour of the US and Canada in his prized '78 Datsun 280Z, built by his son-in law, Dan Smith. They then purchased a home in Graham, WA where they have built

many lasting friendships. He was preceded in death by his parents and is survived by his wife Mara, siblings Tom (Callie) Hansen, Penny Morgan and Kay Hansen, daughter Kim (Dan) Smith and son Kelsey Smith, daughter Deena (Jack) Hannen, children Kristen Hannen (Trevor) Verbos, Miranda Hannen and Sean "Ava" Hannen, and one great-grandchild Theodore Carpenter Verbos.

Services will be held at Fir Lane Memorial Park, 924 E 176th St, Spanaway, WA at 1pm, January 10th and at Kayser's Chapel of Memories, 831 S Pioneer Way, Moses Lake, WA at 1pm on January 13th.

Previous Events

Service

JAN 13. 1:00 PM (PT)

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

Tribute Wall

SD

“ *RIP Jerry...may you perfect the finest blend!
Free from the drama and pain.*

Stephen W. Dean - January 16, 2020 at 03:07 AM

 Brande
Hirai

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Brande Hirai - January 12, 2020 at 10:27 PM

GM

“ *My sincerest condolences to the entire family for your loss. I among the many know all too well the heart ache you feel and I am sorry. I can't say I knew Jerry as well as his brother however I did grow up with his daughters in Mae Valley. I can say that I knew him to be a gentleman and kind. His kids were always pleasant to be around which would reflect the kind of parent he had been. I hunted his acreage many times although he may not have known. I am the little blue eyed toe-head boy that grew up between the Hansen's. My warmest feelings and thoughts to the family.*
Guy

Guy McCauley - January 10, 2020 at 01:08 PM

DC

“ Sorry to hear that Jerry has passed. My most recent memory of Jerry was having Pizza at Chicos with he and his family. It was a great time. My most memorable memory of Jerry was showing up at his house to pick up his Daughter Kim for a high school dance. It was my first and I was petrified! Jerry quickly made me feel at ease. I appreciated his warm greeting and support (although I am sure he knew I was scared to death). Kim you and you family are in my thoughts. David C.

David Cunnington - January 09, 2020 at 08:38 PM

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David Cunnington - January 09, 2020 at 08:37 PM

JC

“ My favorite memory of Kimmie’s dad. That’s what I called him. Was on the day of our senior luncheon. Kimmie and I were sitting at our table tears flowing as we didn’t want to leave high school. While the rest of our classmates were hollowing, laughing, and signing each other’s annuals. Well on our menu I believe it was steak and I was having a terrible time trying to cut it through all my tears. So I look up and around. Who do I see but Kimmie’s dad up on the stage. I told Kimmie I would be back in a minute. I took my plate walked up on the stage and asked Kimmie’s dad to cut my meat. Without batting an eye he performed the task and said there you go Peanut. See that’s what he called me. I loved this man like he was my own dad from that day forward. He was a caring, loving and hilarious man. He will be missed beyond belief. I love you Kimmie’s dad. Say hi to my moma ok. Tell her I will see her when I see her again. ❤️❤️
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Jeanne Cunnington - January 07, 2020 at 12:46 AM

CK

“ Dear Hansen family; We are so sorry to hear that Jerry has passed away. He came and visited us in August, during fair week. Jerry's zest for life was truly contagious. He made everyone with whom he came into contact with, feel special. What was unique about Jerry was that he truly valued the simple things in life, never taking a single moment for granted. The most important thing in his life was his family. We feel privileged to have known Jerry during his earthly life. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you!!!

Cathy Kersey - January 07, 2020 at 12:20 AM

SH

“ I was very small and the Hansen's (Tub, Tom and Jerry were working brandind calves and I had been watching . Anyhow, the action move toward the barn, and my tiny legs were trying to keep up and I fell face down in a cow pie. Jerry came by . and swooped me up out of the much laughing that laugh of his, and sent me home to my momma

Susan Swasey Halvorson - January 04, 2020 at 06:03 PM

TL

“ Phil and I were in the ML Jaycee's for a few years in the late 60's early. Great people. Sorry for the family's loss.

The LoParco's - January 04, 2020 at 12:40 PM

MP

“ Dear Mara, this is Marian Dilbeck Piersall ! We go back many years to ML high and the church of Christ. We have many great memories of our growing up years . Tom was in my class! May all your good memories and your family give you comfort and peace at this time in your life. Paul and I live in Abilene Texas and are easily located if you ever need to find us . I would love to reconnect! God bless and keep you. Love Marian and Paul piersall

marian piersall - January 04, 2020 at 10:04 AM