



Harris Linn Brooks Jr

December 28, 1936 - March 31, 2021

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Born December 28, 1936 in Ontario Oregon to Harris Brooks Sr and Mabel (Taylor) Brooks. Harris grew up learning how to work hard, and did that for his entire life. Harris lived on a homestead with his parents in Oregon, then later in Seattle during WWII while his parents worked in the shipyards. After the war, the family moved many times including to Idaho, upstate New York, and Arizona. He eventually moved to Moses Lake then Ephrata, where he was involved in starting the FFA chapter and eventually graduated from Ephrata High School in 1955 where he got the nickname "Silvertooth". His classmates from high school were like a big extended family to him.

He worked for the telephone company in Moses Lake before serving in the Central States mission for the Church of Jesus Chris of Latter Day Saints where he started writing Janet Barney. After the successful completion of his church mission, he traveled to Tacoma, WA to finally meet his future wife, and they were married in the Salt Lake Temple on September 1, 1959.

In May 1966, along with two small children (Sherrie & Brad) and 6000 apple trees, they decided to move to Royal City and purchased their first piece of farm ground in 1967, and moved to that unit in 1968. He cleared the sagebrush, but unfortunately (and ironically), Royal Slope was not a proven orchard area and no financing could be secured for the orchard. We all know

who was right on that point.

Their third child (Penny) was born in 1968 and their fourth child (Kim) was born in 1970. It was at times a hard life, but was worth it. Royal Slope has been our home for so many years and we could never leave because of all of the amazing people who live here.

His biggest loves were his wife, children, and grandchildren and great-grandchildren, along with growing fruit and vegetables to give to anyone who wanted or needed them. Harris never retired because his retirement was his orchard and garden. Harris loved to sing and many people commented that they could hear him whistling from miles away while he was running equipment.

Harris passed on from this life on March 31, 2021 peacefully at home.

He is survived by his wife Janet (Barney) of 61.5 years and four children Sherrie Brooks Fallon NV, Brad (Amanda) Riverton UT, Penny Quist Ephrata WA, and Kimberly (Cary) of Selah WA, fifteen grandchildren, twelve great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews.

Preceded in death were his parents Harris Sr and Mabel Brooks, brothers and sisters George Turner, Violet Bybee, Nora Perkel, John Turner, Harold Turner, William Brooks, Alice Cedarburg, and Howard Brooks.

Viewing will only be held at Kayser's Chapel of Memories in Moses Lake on Wednesday April 7 between 1pm-8pm. Funeral Services will be held in Royal

Camp at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter day Saints building on Thursday
April 8 at 1pm.

For those who wish to donate to a charity of their choice in lieu of flowers,
please do so in the name of Harris L Brooks, Jr.

Cemetery Details

Royal Memorial Gardens

900 Apple Ave NE
Royal City, WA

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 7. 1:00 PM - 8:00 PM (PT)

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

Service

APR 8. 1:00 PM (PT)

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints - Royal Camp Chapel
357 Christensen Road Royal Camp
Othello, WA

Tribute Wall

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“ My name is Brian Goold, and I am one of seven sons of Carol Blackstone Goold. My mother recently passed, and we found a previously unknown baptismal record which revealed the following: While attending Kansas University, your father and his companion (Elder Vernon Lott and Harris L Brooks) taught and baptized her in Topeka, KS in October 1957. Soon after her baptism she met and married a returned missionary from Utah. Throughout her life, Carol was a devoted member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints as a pianist, organist, and avid Boy Scouts of America volunteer—she was awarded the Silver Beaver in northern CA. All seven sons served full-time missions around the world and like your father taught numerous persons the restored Gospel. Hundreds of people have been converted to the restored Gospel because of your father’s decision to serve a mission.

Thanks
Brian Goold 801-391-5066

Brian Goold - August 24, 2025 at 10:43 PM

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“ I’ve known Harris since he first moved to Moses Lake as a young boy. I always enjoyed talking to him! As the years went by we would always talk about our gardens and his fruit trees. I also loved to hear his beautiful voice when he would sing! I consider Harris one of my best friends. He and his wife always opened their door to me.

He will be missed! My thoughts are with you at this difficult time..

Love Elden Jensen

Elden Jensen - April 07, 2021 at 03:14 PM