



Harry Morse

September 26, 1930 - February 23, 2016

Harry C. Morse, 85, a resident of Moses Lake, passed away in his sleep in the early morning of Feb.23, 2016. He was hospitalized on Feb. 7th and was taken quickly by the many complications associated with cancer. During this time he was surrounded by many of his three generations of children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Harry was born on Sept. 26, 1930 in Terry, Montana to James Leonard and Lorna (Ross) Morse. After several years in Terry his family moved to Wisconsin to rejoin the Morse family farming work near Nekoosa. His family would then settle in Washington where he would complete his public schooling.

Harry enlisted in the US Marine Corp. in 1950, and was honorably discharged in Dec. 1952 after suffering a disabling injury earlier that year. His assignments included that of aircraft mechanic, stationed in California. In June of 1953 he married June Miller, in Seattle, and together bore four children, 2 daughters and 2 sons. They would divorce in 1968, the children to be raised by Harry. He worked for the US Postal Service, and was a supervisor at the Sea-Tac airport operation.

In December 1971 Harry became the Assistant Postmaster in Moses Lake, WA. He moved there with his three youngest children. He became active in community organizations including the Lions, Eagles, VFW and American Legion. In July 1973 he married Audrey Ludtke, where his family grew with 3 step-sons, the youngest to join the family home.

Harry was also actively engaged in gardening, wood working and carving, and enjoyed his love of poetry and old-time country music. After Audrey's death in 1999 he began spending summer months in Terry, MT. He would visit family relatives, including Aunt "Tommy", Lenore (Kampf) Bunch. When Tommy entered the assisted living facility Harry purchased the old house built by her father in 1907, also Tommy's birth year. Tommy passed away in 2008 at the age of 101. While in Terry, Harry would enter home-canning items in the Prairie County Fair including his favorite, chokecherry jelly.

Harry is survived by brother Ralph Morse and sisters Ardeena and Theo Luxner. He is also survived by children Lynn Heilman, Terry Morse, Jenny Robbins, and Bill Morse, step-sons Tom Sigerstad, Ron and Bob Ludtke, and his many loved grand and great-grandchildren.

A celebration of Harry's life will be held at 1 p.m., Saturday, March 5, 2016 at Kayser's Chapel of Memories.

Previous Events

Service

MAR 5. 1:00 PM (PT)

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

Tribute Wall

KE

“ R.I.P UNCLE LOVE AND MISS YA WISH I COULD SAYED GOOD BUY BUT ITS KELLIE I WILL PAY MY RESPECTS SOON...LOVE YA

kellie - March 02, 2016 at 02:40 AM

HL

“ i miss you so much grandpa
xoxoxoxoxoxoxoxo

Heather Ludtke - February 29, 2016 at 10:46 PM

EB

“ I was a good friend of Audrey and had many good times with Harry and Audrey.
My thoughts ad prayers are with the family

Evelyn Brown - February 26, 2016 at 02:08 PM

WH

“ I remember Harry and his wife Audrey for a long time and went to school with Bill in high school . you couldn't have met a more loving man who was caring , funny , kind hearted and nice to be around whenever my family could. My thoughts and prayers go out to all the family and tho I didn't know where he was , Harry is in God's hands where he is safe and we'll cared for. With my best regards rest in peace Harry and I know dad is waiting for you to greet. Wilma Holeman/ shults.

Wilma Holeman - February 26, 2016 at 08:21 AM