



## Larry C. Brown

April 27, 1926 - August 16, 2013

Larry C. Brown, 87, a resident of Soap Lake, passed away at home Friday, August 16, after his lionhearted stand against cancer. Loving family and a benevolent chaplain surrounded him as he peacefully drew his last breath. . A luncheon to celebrate Larry's life will be held at Noon on Wednesday, August 21, 2013 at Don's Restaurant in Soap Lake. Per Larry's request, private graveside services were held earlier. Please sign the online guestbook or leave a note for the family at [www.kayserschapel.com](http://www.kayserschapel.com) Arrangements are in care of Kayser's Chapel & Crematory, Moses Lake.

Larry was born in Dell Rapids SD in 1926 to Nellie and Bernard Brown and was their third child of 7. Ultimately, 5 sons and one daughter comprised their family. When Larry was very young, his family moved to Ephrata, WA, and then to a ranch southwest of Coulee City where he attended a one-room country schoolhouse through his 8th grade, and then Coulee City High School until graduation. At age 17, Larry joined the US Navy and served his country during WWII in the Pacific whereupon he became engaged in many of the sea battles and landings in the Pacific. At the war's end, a jubilant and grateful nation welcomed him and his shipmates aboard the USS Concord home to Boston Harbor.

Larry married Anna Brown of Grand Coulee in 1948, and in 1949 their only child Cheryl Ann was born. Larry became a trained and skillful carpenter and also began farming in the Coulee City area. He and his small family moved to Richland, WA, for 2 years where he worked in the home building trade, but his

first love of farming drew him back to the Coulee City area. He lived with his wife and daughter in Soap Lake and farmed land ranging from west of Ephrata to northwest of Coulee City.

In 1984, Larry's wife Anna suffered a fatal brain aneurysm and his life came to a temporary standstill. However, a survivor by nature, he forged on with his farming, determined not to let unfortunate circumstances stop him. In 1988, he suffered a heart attack and underwent open-heart double bypass surgery. Undaunted, he continued his life of farming and hard work. In 1995, he again found love and married Mary Ann (Larsen) Hansen who survives him at their home.

Larry's initial cancer diagnosis in 2007 only renewed his determination to persevere through life's misfortunes. His continuing happy disposition through these last years is an inspiration to all his family and many friends. His stoicism motivates us all to become more tenacious in the pursuit of our better selves.

In addition to Larry's first wife Anna and her parents, he was preceded in death by an infant brother Kenneth, his parents, his only grandchild Bret, and his brother Jack and his sister Mary. In addition to his wife and her sons Charles (Kandice, daughters Clarissa and Cassandra) of Moses Lake, and Scott of Kalispell, MT, Larry is survived by his daughter Cheryl Ann Sanders and her husband Dave of Moses Lake, his brother Bob (Delma) of Coulee City, his brothers Gilbert (Ruth) and David (Liz) of Republic, a host of nieces and nephews and cousins, and a legion of friends.

Larry would agree with the brave man who said, "I am the master of my fate: I am the captain of my soul." Larry embodied generosity, friendship, and mercy. His work ethic exceeded any contenders. Let us all empower ourselves to follow his legacy.

If you desire, donations may be made to Assured Hospice, 1417 S. Pioneer Way, Moses Lake, WA 98837

# Previous Events

## Service

AUG **21**. 12:00 PM (PT)

Don's Restaurant  
14 Canna North  
Soap Lake, WA

# Tribute Wall



“*Mary Ann, Cheryl & Dave. I was so sad to read in the paper that Larry passed away. He was truly one of my favorite people....I will always remember his smile and gentle way. I know you all have many wonderful memories of a very wonderful man. My condolences.##imported-begin##Su Visker##imported-end##*

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August 27, 2013 at 02:18 PM



“*One of the nicest people I have ever met threw the years. He treasured his family and always talked about Mary Ann and Cheryl Ann. He will be greatly missed.##imported-begin##Darrel & Patty Parsons##imported-end##*

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August 25, 2013 at 08:32 PM



“*Dear Cheryl, Dave & Mary; We were so sorry to hear the loss of Larry, your beloved Father, husband & friend! Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Sincerely, Cathy and Paul##imported-begin##Cathy & Paul Kersey##imported-end##*

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August 23, 2013 at 01:15 PM



“*So sorry to hear of Larry's passing, many memories of days gone by. Love and prayers - a friend Shirley##imported-begin##Shirley Kelley##imported-end##*

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August 22, 2013 at 05:38 PM



“ Larry was a great friend to everyone.##imported-begin##John Wicklund##imported-end##

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August 22, 2013 at 12:45 PM



“ Dearest Mary and family, I am so sorry for your loss. Pleas accept my deepest condolences. You are loved.##imported-begin##Janet Rollins##imported-end##

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August 22, 2013 at 11:51 AM



“ Our sincere sympathy. We've lost a good neighbor and dear friend. Larry will be sorely missed.##imported-begin##Glenn and Charlotte Blue##imported-end##

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August 21, 2013 at 01:15 PM



“ Larry meant a great deal to my children and I, especially Eliot. Other than his grandfather, Larry was the man in his life who taught him how to be a man. The work ethic, manners, and dealing with people in many ways. He was a wonderful role model for him. We have many fond memories.##imported-begin##Ora Rae Ottmar##imported-end##

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August 20, 2013 at 07:36 PM



“ Our love and prayers for the family. Bill, Tami and I loved Larry. He was such a great addition to Mary's life. He was so kind and really helped Tami build windows in her barn at St. Onge. He bought he a big saw and taught her to use it properly. We admired how he could and would fix everything that needed attention at Alice's house when they came to visit. We will certainly miss Larry and his smile. God Bless the family and RIP Larry!##imported-begin##Dona Vold Larsen##imported-end##

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August 20, 2013 at 10:19 AM



“ A dear friend, Larry will be truly missed.  
John and Marcia##imported-begin##John & Marcia  
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August 19, 2013 at 04:58 PM



“ Dear Mary Ann and Family,  
  
I feel so blessed to have known Larry, what a kind and loving man. I will be holding his family up in prayer.  
  
Much Love Mary Ann,  
Christy Lovestrand##imported-begin##Christy Lovestrand  
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August 19, 2013 at 03:45 PM



“ We'll miss ya Larry, Bill Blue##imported-begin##Bill  
Blue##imported-end##

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August 19, 2013 at 01:22 PM



“ Dear Mary Ann and family,  
I remember how generous Larry was to his sister and I when we needed rides home from college and back. He was so good to us. Im so glad we connected in these last years.  
Love dana###imported-begin###dana Babb###imported-end##

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August 19, 2013 at 10:40 AM



“ We were honored to have Larry for a neighbor. What a kind giving man he was. He will be missed by many of us.###imported-begin###John & Audrey Ledgerwood###imported-end##

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August 18, 2013 at 10:47 PM



“ Mary Ann and family, my deepest heartfelt sympathy in your loss. You were always so good about coming to visit Vern, and I never made it over to see Larry during his illness, I'm so sorry about that, I do hope he understood how much I appreciated his attention to Vern during his sickness. My heart goes out to all of you and I know it will be hard to get over this loss, but please know I will be sending positive thoughts your way, and my best to you always. Much love and warm hugs sent to you.###imported-begin###Delores Warner###imported-end##

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August 18, 2013 at 09:38 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are always with you. We member his wink and his sunny and warm personality. We will also remember his wanting to come back to South Dakota to do the "funky chicken". Our condolences. Love, Ray and Lois###imported-begin###Ray and Lois Brown###imported-end##

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August 18, 2013 at 07:49 PM



“ *What a remarkable man we all were able to know and enjoy. We will all miss him if only we can earn the respect and work ethic Larry taught use while having a very enjoyable time. Carol and I wish the best to all of the family in recoving from this great loss. I know he would have moved on with a couple of descriptive words to express his feelings. I hate to say it but GOOD BYE LARRY. We miss you very much.##imported-begin##Jim Killingsworth##imported-end##*

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August 18, 2013 at 06:12 PM



“ *We will always be there for you with much love. Joy and Doug.R##imported-begin##doug and joy storey##imported-end##*

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August 18, 2013 at 12:25 PM



“ *We will miss our dear friend, our prayers and thoughts are with the family##imported-begin##Mel & Judi Woods##imported-end##*

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August 18, 2013 at 09:18 AM