



Leland Hutsell

March 23, 1933 - November 9, 2015

Leland Glen Hutsell "Lee" went home to be with the Lord Monday November 9, 2015, after gracing our world for 82 years. Lee was born March 23, 1933 in Casper, Wyoming. He married his high school "Sweetie" Holly in 1954. Lee graduated from WSU in 1956 with a BA in Industrial Arts, then in 1963 with a Masters in Industrial Education and School Administration, and his lifelong Cougar enthusiasm was launched! With his family surrounding him, Lee watched his last WSU football game on November 7th, where the COUGS qualified for a bowl game.

Lee, Holly, and their son Wayne moved to Moses Lake in 1956, where Lee taught Industrial Arts at Moses Lake High School until 1966. Lee continued in education as an Assistant High School Principal, Principal, and District Administrator to complete his 30 year tenure of devoted service to the Moses Lake School District.

His passion and dedication to education instigated his membership in numerous associations that supported and enhanced student education, especially in the industrial arts. He was dedicated to many social and professional organizations, and gave of his time freely. People loved his enthusiasm, kindness, warmth, and genuineness. He was an exceedingly generous man and always willing to lend a hand. Lee will be remembered as a true gentleman who was easygoing, humble, and full of integrity and loyalty. And did we mention, a lifelong Cougar fan!

Lee enjoyed hunting and fishing, more hunting and fishing, and time with

family. In his later years Lee graduated from shotguns and rifles to favor an "ever handy" paint gun he'd fire off his back deck to rid his lawn of the gaggle of geese that had the nerve to congregate on his manicured lawn!

As a young man he played football at WSU, and retained his love of sports through coaching high school football, basketball, and baseball, along with refereeing football. His love of sports stayed with him throughout his life.

Lee cherished his wife Holly with whom he was married for 61 years. He was the proud father of three children and their spouses: Wayne and Rebecca Hutsell, Scott (whom they lost in 2014) and Felicity Hutsell, and Matt and Lisa Mattson. Lee was the adored grandpa of Wayne and Rebecca's children Abraham and Eli, and Matt and Lisa's children Alexandra and Ashley. He was a treasured family member to his sisters in-law and spouses: Neta Clement, Bob and Pat Woodley, and Ken and Jule Arlt, as well as many nieces and nephews that loved him dearly.

Lee was a big man, with a big heart and a playful spirit. He was often referred to as the "Big Teddy Bear." His delightful sense of humor is reflected in the time he knotted the legs of his daughter in-law Rebecca's p.j.'s together when he spotted them hanging from the back of the bathroom door, his shenanigans always preceeded by the "twinkle" in his eyes.

Lee in his positivity, influenced and enhanced the lives of many young people. He was a nurturing friend and father figure to so many it would be impossible to list them all. Our community was blessed by his presence within it and all will miss him deeply.

In lieu of flowers, and as a tribute to his love of education, a scholarship fund for students in the "Career and Technical Education Program" has been set up at Moses Lake High School. Checks can be made payable to Moses Lake Athletic Booster Club, P.O. Box 693 Moses Lake, WA 98837. Please include on memo line: "Lee Hutsell Scholarship."

Memorial Services will be held at 2 p.m., Sunday, December 13, 2015 at the Moses Lake Presbyterian Church, 1142 W. Ivy. Moses Lake.

Previous Events

Service

DEC 13. 2:00 PM (PT)

Moses Lake Presbyterian Church
1142 W. Ivy
Moses Lake, WA

Tribute Wall

PM

“ I graduated from Moses Lake High in 1966. Over the years, one of my fondest memories related to my father, William "Bill" Mckenzie was hearing him talk about Lee & Holly Hutsell & what wonderful people they are. I am truly sorry for your loss and wish that I had kept in contact over the years to continue my fathers memories.

Pat McKenzie.

Pat McKenzie - December 16, 2015 at 02:51 PM

PW

“ What a great man! So glad we were able to visit with him this past summer. He always made sure we were having a good time no matter how he was feeling. Our thoughts go out to Aunt Holly, Wayne (and family), Lisa (and family) and Felicity. We love you all and grieve with you.

Will miss you Uncle Lee. Until we see you again....

Pam and Charlie Woodley

Pam and Charlie Woodley - November 25, 2015 at 02:59 PM

AM

“ I was saddened to hear of Lee's passing. He was my 'boss' for many years and I have always appreciated his respectful and kind manners in which he supervised. I could have worked for him forever! Holly you're in my thoughts and I'm so sorry for your loss. Lee was one of a kind; not only a neat boss but a wonderful friend! May he rest in peace. (I loved it when he would greet me in Spanish: *Hola - Señora Moreno!* Always brought a smile to my face!)

*Su Amiga,
Adela Moreno*

Adela Moreno - November 23, 2015 at 03:46 PM

DK

“ I have known Mr. Hutsell as I use to call him back when he was working at the high school. When I started going back to church, Lee would give me the biggest hug and said his day was made. He touched my heart with those hugs. He will be truly missed. So sorry for your loss Holly and Wayne & Lisa.

Debi Keyser aka: Page

Debi Keyzer - November 19, 2015 at 04:02 PM

CC

“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to my Aunt Holly for the passing of her beloved husband and my uncle Lee. I have many fond memories of Lee over the years. From gatherings at Lake Chelan, and the Horky families reunions. It was always a good time checking up with everyone. Lee was always kind and fun to be around. May he rest in peace. Holly I will keep you in my prayers.



Love Creed and Sandy Clement
Olympia, Washington

Creed Clement - November 18, 2015 at 08:45 PM

JC

“ My Uncle Lee was a man of integrity, a passion for life, an awesome family man and a great uncle. He leaves me fond memories of my childhood going to Lake Chelan in the summertime and visits to Moses Lake. I will miss his kind and gentle soul.. Aunt Holly, I love you!

John Clement, LAs Vegas

John Clement - November 12, 2015 at 06:55 PM

JC

“ John Clement lit a candle in memory of Leland Hutsell



John Clement - November 12, 2015 at 06:48 PM

JC

“ *My Uncle Lee! He was a man with great integrity, passion for life and family. I have nothing but fond memories of my Uncle Lee and by reading some of these posts it looks like Lee was as popular with his students at Moses Lake High. I will miss him as I miss Scott but will forever carry their spirit for life and compassion for my fellow man as tribute to these two nice men...Aunt Hollie, I love you so much! God Bless!*

John Clement, Las Vegas

John Clement - November 12, 2015 at 06:45 PM

RT

“ *Personal friend since my high school sophomore year 1966.. He will be missed. Holly and family, prayers for you.*

Bob Trask Jr.

Robert Trask - November 11, 2015 at 10:57 AM

M(

“ I had the privilege of working on ML School District levy and bond campaigns for many years. Lee was so passionate about the students and was willing to give his all to get the money necessary to provide those services.

I also had the pleasure of worshiping with Lee and Holly at First Pres in Moses Lake. He always, always had a hug and a smile for me.

I am honored to have known and respect him for many years. He will be missed.

*Love and prayers to your family,
Marge Weber Koeppe*

Marge Koeppe (West) - November 10, 2015 at 07:39 PM



“ So saddened to hear of his passing, he was a person who did make a difference in my life while in MLHS. He was always a happy cheerful person with a kind word, I am so glad he was at MLHS during my time there, what a amazing legacy he has left behind. I hope the family can take comfort in knowing how many young lives he touched and made a difference in like mine.

Donna Anderson - November 10, 2015 at 04:15 PM

CH

“ Lee and Holly are like our second Family. They always will be. Have known them before Lisa was born. Darolyn and Lisa were like Sisters growing up .if they were not at our house they were down at Lee and Hollys house .Darold and Lee were hunting buddies also Fishing Buddies out in the NAUTILIS .Lee was like a second Dad to our Girls, Especially Darolyn She and her 2 sisters minded and listen to Lee [and Holly] .Just like Lisa did us. GOOD MEMORIES .we will miss Lee just as we have missed Scott. We Love You.see you on the other side someday. Our Heartfelt Sympathy to Holly Wayne and Lisa. Love You. Charlotte Denise Darolyn Darcey.

Charlotte Hauff - November 10, 2015 at 02:39 PM

CH

“ Charlotte Hauff lit a candle in memory of Leland Hutsell



Charlotte Hauff - November 10, 2015 at 01:42 PM

RM

“ Ray Moog lit a candle in memory of Leland Hutsell



Ray Moog - November 10, 2015 at 11:25 AM

RM

Lee was a man who had interesting and for the most part very positive influence in my life. I knew him as a student when he was a Principal, as well as a friend. He was a good friend to my best friend Mike Schmidt's father growing up. We often disagreed on a lot of issues but I will say he was a man with a heart of passion for others. My heart goes out to members of the Hutsell family during this difficult time of loss. May the many positive memories of Lee's life bring you comfort and smiles in order to celebrate a life well lived.

Ray Moog - November 10, 2015 at 11:36 AM

DH

“ *My Deepest Sympathy and Condolences in the loss of Lee. My Dad, Scott, and now Lee are together hunting for deer! There are so many memories of times spent with the Hutsell family. My ❤️ is Broken in this time of Loss*



Denise Hancock - November 09, 2015 at 08:25 PM

DH

“ *Denise Hancock lit a candle in memory of Leland Hutsell*



Denise Hancock - November 09, 2015 at 08:19 PM