



Marlo Duane Merrell

November 8, 1949 - August 14, 2019

Marlo Duane Merrell passed away from complications during surgery in Orem, Utah on Aug 14, 2019. He was 69 years of age.

Marlo was born in Ephrata, WA on Nov 8, 1949 to Victor and Beatrice (Jensen) Merrell. He was the seventh of nine children. After graduating from Moses Lake High School in 1968, he attended Brigham Young University and then served a mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the California North Mission (Spanish speaking). He graduated from BYU with a degree in Sociology.

After graduating from BYU, he met Carol Ann Cole and they married in the Washington D.C. temple. They spent their 43 years together raising their 5 daughters in Moses Lake, WA where he worked as an agricultural and commercial lending officer for several banks. Marlo retired in 2014 from Wheatland Bank as a Vice President but remained on the Board of Directors. He was an active member of the Moses Lake rotary.

Marlo was an active member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints where he served as a Bishop and in many other positions of service. He and his wife served an additional mission in the Washington Yakima Mission.

Marlo loved people and never met a stranger! From his childhood days on the farm, he always loved livestock and all things agricultural, especially horses. After his retirement, Marlo enjoyed spending his time working a cattle ranch in Lind, traveling to see grandchildren, and making jam. He also enjoyed pack

trips with buddies, keeping in touch with numerous friends, and concocting a variety of delicious foods.

He was loved by all who met him, because of his wonderful sense of humor, friendly personality, and generous heart.

He is survived by his wife Carol and children; Celeste (Darren) Parks, Tiffany (Todd) Davis, Amber (Sean) Jenks, Cherie (Andy) West, Candace Weller, as well as 18 grandchildren. Also siblings; Elaine Roylance, Max Merrell, Mary Merrell, Dixie Waldrip, Jeanie Bailey, and David Merrell. He was preceded in death by his parents, his brother Dallas Merrell, and his sister Vicki Sampson. A viewing will be held from 6 pm to 8 pm on Friday, Aug 23, 2019 at Kayser's Chapel of Memories in Moses Lake, WA. The funeral will be held on Aug 24, 2019 at 10 am at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1515 S Division St, Moses Lake, WA. His interment will follow at the Pioneer Memorial Gardens cemetery in Moses Lake. The family welcomes anyone wishing to pay their respects an hour prior to the service.

Cemetery Details

Pioneer Memorial Gardens

14403 Rd. 2 Ne
Moses Lake, WA

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 23. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (PT)

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

Service

AUG 24. 10:00 AM (PT)

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints
1515 South Division St.
Moses Lake, WA 98837

Tribute Wall

MB

“ Our love to Carol and daughters . We have the fondest memories of our times with you and Marlo. He was a childhood friend of Steve , and the stories of their exploits were hilarious! So much love and laughter.... Marlo was a wonderful friend, family man, cheerful , and reassuring voice in difficult times. Our family will forever be thankful to Marlo and Carol for their gracious help and support when Steve passed away, and years later, joining us at Brian and Beth's wedding. Rest in peace , Marlo.

monica , jeff, and brian belisle - August 24, 2019 at 01:54 PM

EM

“ Marlo was a man that never knew a stranger. He was a friend to all and accepting of each person. My sympathy to all the Merrell's in the great loss at this time of sorrow. Elke Merrell-Griffith

Elke Merrell-Griffith - August 22, 2019 at 11:02 AM

RH

“ I have such great memories of interactions with Marlo over the years. Much of that related to his work as a Banker in our community but also because our daughters were friends. Marlo was smart, funny, professional and a man of integrity...so interested in others and a great story teller. He brightened my day every time I saw him. I was truly blessed to have known him.

Rick Honsowetz - August 21, 2019 at 05:44 PM

PS

“ My condolences to the family of Marlo. I have great memories of him horse back riding in the Minam and staying at Reds Horse ranch

Perry Smith - August 21, 2019 at 04:05 PM

LO

“ I so enjoyed knowing Marlo and riding horses with him through the Local Crab Creek Riders Back Country Horse Group. He was a neat man, a friend to all, and so calm and caring for people. He has left his legacy I am sure in all the lives he has touched. My condolences and prayers to his family. He will be missed.

Laurie Odegaarc - August 21, 2019 at 03:18 PM

BM

“ We have so many memories of Marlo~he was a good kid, great friend and wonderful husband & father. The world has lost such a great man. Sympathy & hugs to his family.
Barry & Holly Moos

Barry & Holly Moos - August 20, 2019 at 08:38 PM

MG

“ My deepest sympathy to the family. I have known Marlo most of my life through school, church and farm neighbors. Such a kind man, always smiling. He will be missed by many people.

Merlynn Wright Gullings - August 20, 2019 at 08:22 PM

MG

“ My deepest sympathy to Marlo's family. I have known Marlo since we were young kids through school, church and being farm neighbors. He always had a smile on his face. Such an amazing person and friend. He will be missed by many.

Merlynn Wright Gullings - August 20, 2019 at 02:33 PM