



Charles Meekins

November 6, 1937 - February 13, 2015

Charles Meekins, "Chuck," was born in 1937 to Benjamin Franklin and Hilda (Morton) Meekins in New York City, NY. His love for baseball led him to pitch in the Minor Leagues for the Spokane Indians, Eugene Emeralds, and the Plainview Ponies. He traveled across the country playing ball for 2 years before meeting his bride, Joan Krabbe. In 1960, they were married in California. They had 4 children there before heading east and landing in Minnesota, which they called home for 38 years.

Anyone who knows Charles knows integrity was a virtue he held high, and his work reflected this quality. He spent his years in Minnesota doing construction-building houses, but his true calling was raising cattle and spending time on their land. His dogs Jake, Red, Bandit, Pebbles, and Buckshot, to name a few, were his constant companions and could always be found riding in the front seat of his truck. During the last 5 years, Chuck kindly offered his land up to his friends as a cow/calf pasture. He took great enjoyment counting calves and watching his friends work the cattle.

He is survived by his wife Joan of 55 years; his son John (Tina) Meekins of Port Orchard WA; daughters Lisa (Butch) Meyer of Andover MN, Lois (Chad) Croonquist of Alexandria MN, and Heidi (Scott) Dolezal of Deer Creek, MN; and grandkids Tiffany (Greg) Korver, Lesli Meekins, Jackson (Lexi) Meekins, Hunter and Logan Croonquist, Cody, Katie, and Colton Dolezal, and Alicia and

Emily Meyer. Of course he would not want us to forget his grand-dogs Otis, Ruby, Penny, Paisley, and Spikey.

There will be a gathering of friends and family later this spring out at the farm, per Chuck's wishes.

Tribute Wall

JM

“ *Joe Miller lit a candle in memory of Charles Meekins*



Joe Miller - February 17, 2015 at 09:24 PM

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“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Charles Meekins.*



February 17, 2015 at 01:19 PM

BH

“ *Bob & Donna Haman lit a candle in memory of Charles Meekins*



Bob & Donna Haman - February 17, 2015 at 10:07 AM

GC

“ I remember visiting with Chuck at work and at other events.

Gladys Han Sen Chase - February 17, 2015 at 07:15 AM

LO

“ Our thoughts and prayers to the family. Chuck will be missed by many. He was such a wonderful guy. I always enjoyed talking with him. He was always so kind and such a gentleman.

Lonny & Londa Burgau



Londa - February 16, 2015 at 06:14 PM

AK

“ Amy Kleinke lit a candle in memory of Charles Meekins



Amy Kleinke - February 16, 2015 at 05:17 PM

JD

“ Jerry, Janice Denny lit a candle in memory of Charles Meekins



Jerry, Janice Denny - February 16, 2015 at 03:29 PM

JD

So sorry for your loss. Janice and Jerry

Jerry, Janice Denny - February 16, 2015 at 03:29 PM

DB

“ *Denise Bristlin lit a candle in memory of Charles Meekins*



Denise Bristlin - February 16, 2015 at 09:53 AM

RB

“ *Sorry for your loss Joanie. Chuck was always such a friendly guy.*

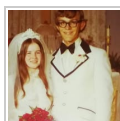
Ray & Dorothy Beyer - February 16, 2015 at 06:59 AM



“ *Dave Rousslang lit a candle in memory of Charles Meekins*



Dave Rousslang - February 15, 2015 at 07:13 PM



rip Chuck. I miss you already. The office will never be the same.

Dave Rousslang - February 15, 2015 at 07:16 PM

RA

“ *Rita Anderson lit a candle in memory of Charles Meekins*



Rita Anderson - February 15, 2015 at 06:12 PM

BR

“ *Bruce & Lucy Rehm lit a candle in memory of Charles Meekins*



Bruce & Lucy Rehm - February 15, 2015 at 10:48 AM

JU

“ *John Uselman lit a candle in memory of Charles Meekins*



john uselman - February 14, 2015 at 08:09 PM