



## Veryle E. Miller

April 6, 1930 - December 31, 2019

Veryle Miller, 89 years old, went to be with Jesus on December 31, 2019. Veryle was born in Hays, Kansas April 6, 1930. During his childhood his family moved frequently and eventually settled in Lake Chelan, WA. Veryle was drafted into the Army in March 1951 during the Korean War. He married Gloria Dietrich March 3rd (68 years of marriage) just 2 days before leaving for boot camp. During the war he was stationed in Sendai, Japan. In 1953 Veryle received an honorable discharge and returned to Chelan to work for Blair Pontiac. He had a knack and passion for building and customizing cars and various other mechanical equipment. In 1955 Veryle and his wife, Gloria, began farming Apples in the Lake Chelan Valley. He loved being an orchardist and grew top quality fruit. They raised their two children Mark and Kara on their orchard and taught them the values of hard work. Veryle also served on the Chelan River Irrigation District for 30 years and was President for 20 years. Veryle retired from farming in 1994 and enjoyed traveling with Gloria for the next 10 years. Lake Havasu, AZ became their winter home until their grandson began playing college basketball. They then stayed home during the winter to travel to as many games as possible.

Veryle loved life and always knew how to have a good time. His sense of humor and laughter was contagious. He had a real gift for telling clever jokes, and the way he'd light up when reminiscing about the good ole days, would make everyone feel like they lived it too. He loved his family and friends with all his heart and was incredibly selfless. He embraced life and lived it fully and

actively.

Veryle enjoyed water skiing, boating, river rafting, fishing, bowling, hunting, dancing, snowmobiling and taking his grandchildren camping. He was an avid horseman and owned horses for most of his life. Veryle was also an amazing gardener. Friends and family never left without being sent home with beautiful tomatoes.

Veryle was preceded in death by his daughter Verlene (1954), son Mark (1977), mother Grace (1995), father Merlan (2000). He is survived by his beloved wife Gloria, Chelan, daughter Kara (Harold) Schell, Chelan, brother Leo (Polly) Miller, Chelan, granddaughter Resa (Jeff) Tucker, Redmond, grandson Calin (Britt) Schell, Bellingham, and many nieces, nephews, and 6 great grandchildren.

In Lieu of flowers the family would be grateful for memorial contributions to Chelan Valley Hope.

To honor Veryle a Celebration of Life will be held January 19th, at 2:00 p.m. at Campbells Resort- Stehekin Ballroom in Lake Chelan.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

JAN 19. 2:00 PM (PT)

Campbell's Lodge  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Veryle E. Miller*

January 29, 2023 at 08:49 AM



“ *I am very greatfull to have called Veryle my friend. Whenever we would visit he always brightened my day. I will never stop missing him.*

*John Steady*

**John steady** - January 13, 2020 at 06:43 PM



“ *Dear Miller Family,*

*I first met Veryle through his brother, Leo. They were partners in an orchard on Howard Flats. Through the years Tilly Equipment was fortunate to provide most of the orchard equipment needs of Veryle. Both brothers were outstanding growers/business people.*

*They inherited good judgement and honesty from their parents and applied it to their dealings with others.*

*The photo of Veryle is how I best remember him. His smile was infectious.*

*Sincerely,*

*Earl Tilly*

**Earl Tilly** - January 11, 2020 at 05:14 PM

BS

“ So sorry for the loss of Verylle and special condolences to Leo.  
Seeing his picture  
brought back many great memories of my time knowing them. Tried  
calling Leo  
and Polly but did not get through. Take care.907 474 0955

*Betty Stewart*

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**Betty Stewart** - January 11, 2020 at 04:52 PM

CB

“ There will never be enough words to tell my story about the friendship I made with Veryle and Gloria nor enough paper to write it all upon if I could find enough words. Upon meeting, in the "old days", the first impression was that their door was always open and especially "the garage". That was where we all met after work to wind down from our day and soon there would be the murmurs of hunger heard and Veryle would be heading for the kitchen bugging Gloria for what was available to fix to eat. We always left with full tummies. I also learned many things such as how to change the car oil!!!, where to put the tools when done using them OR ELSE!! and what to pack for the snowmobile trips at the cabin. There were times cooking steak, smoking turkey all night & grinding jalapenos! Then dynamics of family and friends changed for the gang. Even though we didn't see each other as often we all talked on the phone and hubby and I stopped to visit on our trips to Chelan, again welcomed as always. And so it is that we send our heartfelt condolences to Kara, Harold, Resa, Calin and the extended family. We all will grieve for this strong, purposeful soul, who always set his path and followed it, in life as he has in passing, but we will keep in mind not to grieve too long as it would be selfish to think he should not enjoy the peacefulness of heaven when he has given so much here on earth. Lovingly~~Chrystal and Arnold



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Chrystal Bertram - January 04, 2020 at 07:47 PM