



Leo J. McCracken

January 9, 1952 - April 6, 2019

Mr. Leo J. McCracken passed away Saturday, April 6, 2019 at his home south of Butte. He was born in Butte in Butte, Wednesday, January 9, 1952 to Wayne and Leona (Gardiner) McCracken.

Leo attended local schools, Montana Tech, received his degree in mathematics from the University of Montana and also earned his teaching degree at Western. He taught school in Harlem, Montana and Columbus, Montana where he also coached girl's basketball, before embarking on his career in road construction. Leo worked for several contractors around the state and it would be hard to drive any distance in Montana without driving on some road work that he was involved in. He also worked many years for Butte-Silver Bow as a crusher operator.

Leo enjoyed woodworking and was a member of the Operating Engineers, Local # 400. Everyone who met and knew Leo came away learning from him. He is preceded in death by his mother, Leona McCracken and longtime friend and companion, Sharon Kober. Survivors include his father, Wayne McCracken of Butte, brothers and sisters-in-law, Allen and Harriet McCracken of Brighton, Colorado, Earl and Bev McCracken of Dayton, Nevada, Kurt and Margaret McCracken of Richland, Washington, numerous nieces and nephews and Sharon's children and grandchildren.

Cremation has taken place. Memorial services will be conducted Friday morning at 11 o'clock in Wayrynen-Richards Funeral Home. A celebration of his life will be held at St. Ann's Fellowship Hall on Saturday, April 13, 2019

beginning at 1 pm.

A sincere thank you is extended to Charlene Messick for all the help and time spent with Leo over the past several years. Express condolences at www.wayrynen-richards.com.

Previous Events

Service

APR 12. 11:00 AM (MT)

Wayrynen-Richards Funeral Home
1800 Florence Ave
Butte, MT 59701
(406) 723-3221
<https://wayrynen-richards.com/>

Tribute Wall



“ Christmas brings many thoughts my lil buddy.
Time goes on but know you will never be forgotten.



Charlene Warren - December 17, 2024 at 02:21 AM



happy heavenly birthday, Leo. Today would've been your 72nd birthday. I hope you are enjoying sunshine wherever you are. Know you will never be forgotten. 😭

Charlene

Charlene Warren - January 09, 2025 at 05:07 PM

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“ It's been almost a year since you left us Leo -

Three little words, "Forget me not"
Don't seem much but mean a lot.
Just a memory fond and true
To show, Leo Joe, we still think of you.

Charlene, Shauna, Jim, Jeff & Kids



Charlene - March 29, 2020 at 03:18 AM



“ *I remember hm quite well. He was the best math teacher i ever had. He was also very kind and sincere. I had the pleasure of running into him about a year ago and he was the same great guy. RIP Mr. McCracken.*

Ross Magnuson

Ross Magnuson - April 14, 2019 at 12:25 AM

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“ *Mr McCracken was our 7th grade math teacher in Harlem MT! He was well liked by all of us! He had a way of teaching that designated with a lot of kids! He made a difference in many lives! I'm so sorry for your loss!*

Robin Frey - April 13, 2019 at 02:49 PM



“ *Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of Leo J. McCracken.*



April 09, 2019 at 05:29 PM

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“ *Our condolences to the family. May it comfort you to know how many caring thoughts are with you at this sad time.*

IUOE Local 400 Board, Members and Staff - April 09, 2019 at 11:03 AM