



Loren Edward Steadman

April 11, 1926 - March 24, 2019

Loren Edward Steadman passed away Sunday, March 24, 2019, at Big Sky Senior Living in Butte.

He was born April 11, 1926 in a log cabin on a farm 20 miles from Broadus, MT, called "Coalwood". In 1927 his family moved to Broadus and lived in the basement of Macy Hall, his Grandparent's building. Loren moved to Billings in 1934 to live on the "bench" outside of Billings where his Aunt and Uncle farmed. He excelled as an athlete at Billings Senior High School and began his love of boxing as a freshman in the Billings Amateur Athletic Boxing Club. Loren enlisted into the Army / Air Force (AAF) in 1944. He went through basic training in Texas where he was assigned to the B17's + B24's as a gunner. Loren continued to box in the Army. As a PFC, he was the Army's Golden Gloves Light Heavyweight Champion at Buckham Field at Fort Myers. He transferred to Sebring, Florida for training and graduated from Military Police School. He was assigned duty as a MP, patrolling both the base and the town of Sebring.

Loren married his first wife Lucy Spires on July 23, 1946, after he was honorably discharged as a sergeant. They had one daughter Lucy Baker during their 2 1/2 years of marriage.

He met his wife of 68 years, Kathryn M. Robertson in Billings, MT. They were married on Dec. 21, 1950. They had three children Colleen, Clint, and Chris. Loren worked for the Billings Police Department, K-G Men's Store, Q 's Sporting Goods and Buttrey's Food Stores. At Buttrey's, he was the non-foods

manager, working throughout the state reaching his final work destination in Bozeman, retiring after 27 years, August 1986.

Upon retirement, Loren and Katie moved to Canyon Ferry Lake. As their health declined, they moved to their daughter and son-in law's farm. (Colleen & Ted)

To know our dad, you had to have a dedication to family, a passion for fishing, a love for hunting, a habit of smoking Swisher Sweet Cigars, a hunger for vanilla ice cream and cold milk, a ritual of Friday Night Fights, an enjoyment for bowling and cards, a fresh book by Louis L'Amour, and late night Gonzaga basketball games.

Dad spent his last 1 ½ years at Big Sky Senior Living, where he received fantastic care from the nurses and staff. As we continued to witness the good news of John 3:16 during these last few years, dad knew God loved him even more than we did. And for that we are thankful.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Kathryn M. Steadman, son-in-law, Fred Baker, brother Jim Steadman, parents, James and Anona Steadman (McClure), and step-dad Ernie McClure. Survivors include his children, Lucy Baker of Seattle, WA., Colleen (Ted) Fekete of Butte, Clint (Sybil) Steadman of Bozeman, Chris (Gordon) Mundt of Belgrade, his brothers Marvin (Gini) Steadman of Shepherd, David Steadman of Billings, Sam (Christi) McClure of Worland, WY, sisters, Dora (Bill)Jones of Twin Falls, ID, and Verna Jo (Bennett) Harris of Whidbey Island, WA.

Grandchildren include: Brandon (Kristen) Steadman, Soren (Valeriya) Mundt, Brad Mundt, Luke Mundt and Hannah Mundt. Great-grandchildren: Adyson and Aiden Steadman, Emil Gasanov, Eva, and Sonia Mundt, all from Belgrade. Also surviving are his extended family, Scott and Tammy Kottas who adopted Loren and Katie to be grandparents to their 4 boys, Kyle, Kody, Kacey and Kameron, all of Canyon Ferry.

Cremation has taken place. A celebration for Katie and Loren will be held Saturday, June 22, 2019 at the Holiday Express in Belgrade, Montana from 1 until 4 PM. Contact c.steadman@email.com for information.

Tribute Wall

CM

“ Sorry again, Clint, Sybil, and the whole family. But it's sweet they are reunited. Those of us who are likewise so well married hope for such a short separation.

Craig McCormick - April 08, 2019 at 01:48 PM

JL

“ I have wonderful memories of Loren & Katie, especially at Canyon Ferry. I am proud to have been a part of the family for so many years. His years without her must have been difficult for him . . . My love to their kids and to the brothers and sisters who are still in my heart.

Jane (Steadman) Loucks

Jane Loucks - March 31, 2019 at 01:28 PM

CS

Thanks for remembering with us the good times we had. Dad missed her greatly in the 7 short weeks without her. We are thankful for all their great care. Clint and Sybil

Clint Steadman - April 01, 2019 at 08:02 PM

PH

“ So sorry to see Loren has left us but I am happy he and Katie are together again. Carl, I and Mark and Tom and Nancy had many good times with them camping, fishing and hunting. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

*Pearl Hansen and Family
Great Falls*

Pearl Hansen - March 30, 2019 at 04:25 PM

CF

Hello Pearl, we loved all the times we spent with your family, they were all really fun times. Dad left us very fast still very sharp, he just missed mom so much. Thank you and best to you, Mark, Tom, and Nancy.

Colleen Fekete - March 30, 2019 at 11:51 PM

SH

“ Loren and Katie came to our rescue when we were plunged into running Capital City Bowl in Helena suddenly. We didn't know anything about the bowling business and Loren went on our Board while Katie worked for us at various stations. They helped us over a huge hump and we ran that business for 18 years... Thanks to them. I remember Loren had an elk's tooth necklace. I made a silver-ring chain for his necklace when the rawhide broke. He wore it many times.

Sarah Herold - March 30, 2019 at 12:44 AM

CF

Sarah, he still wore the necklace, thank you for making him the chain and telling us the story behind it. We are really missing them, best parents ever. Thank you.

Colleen Fekete - March 30, 2019 at 11:38 PM

KO

“ We so much enjoyed our time with your father, boating, hunting, and numerable visits, filled with laughter and sweet memories. May the God of all comfort fill your hearts during your time of loss. Love to all, Steve & Kathy Ovenell

Kathy Ovenell - March 29, 2019 at 11:25 AM

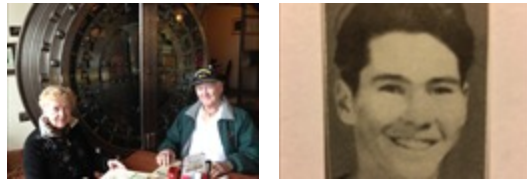
CF

Thanks Steve & Kathy lots of great times with you two, he loved it. We're really going to miss them.

Colleen Fekete - March 29, 2019 at 02:28 PM



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Wayrynen-Richards Funeral Home - March 28, 2019 at 12:54 PM

RL

We will always remember Loren for the fun ice fishing adventures, snowmobiling, mountain motorcycling, bowling, store parties and more. Most of all as a long time friend and coworker at Buttreys for longer than a decade. Loren was always admired for his friendship and respected by all. Thanks Loren and Katie for knowing you over the years. Gods speed. Richard & Carol Lease and family.

Richard Lease - April 01, 2019 at 10:05 AM

CS

Thank you for your kind words. Dad and mom always had great friends to share their life with. We indeed appreciate your friendship. Clint & Sybil

Clint Steadman - April 01, 2019 at 08:11 PM

TN

My thoughts and prayers are with you all - I'm glad you had so many memories shared with your folks over the years.

Tony Nopper - April 02, 2019 at 12:00 PM