



Martin Morris "Tubby" Schelin

August 31, 1930 - February 22, 2019

On February 22, 2019, we lost one of the best men we have ever known, Martin Morris "Tubby" Schelin. Tubby was born in Forsyth, Montana on August 31, 1930 to parents Rexford Schelin and Ruth Pierce. Tubby went to school in Forsyth and Whitehall, Montana. After finishing school, Tubby joined the Air Force, where he was stationed at McChord Air Force Base. After his time in the service, Tubby returned to Forsyth, where he met the love of his life, Arline Kuntz. They were married on October 4, 1958 in Forsyth, and from that moment on they were lovingly known as "Tub & Pork." During their time in Forsyth, they had three children, Terri, Toby, and Alice. Tub and Pork ran the A&W Rootbeer stand in Forsyth for 5 years before moving to Butte, Montana, where they were blessed with one more child, Todd. Here in Butte, Tubby worked at the mines and Berkley Pit. He eventually embarked on a career in Iron Working, where he had the joy of working alongside most of his brothers. Tub and Pork moved to a small farm in Whitehall, Montana in 1972, where they were blessed with their last child, Amanda. Here they raised numerous animals and lots and lots of kids. Tubby finished out his working career as an Iron Worker, where he was gainfully employed at numerous locations throughout Montana. In 1979 Tub moved his family back to Butte, where he spent the remainder of his days.

You could always find Tubby sitting at the kitchen table with a cup of coffee and a kid on his lap. Many hours were spent sitting at the table reminiscing,

telling stories, and playing cards. He was the type of person to give you the last two dollars in his wallet. The Schelin house was always considered the gathering place for family, friends, and anyone else who happened to stop in or needed a place to stay. Besides raising their own 5 children, they never quit raising kids. Their grandkids, great-grandkids, neighborhood kids, and the random kids that showed up at the door all called the Schelin house their second home. Tubby was best known for his love of all these kids and enjoyed every minute he had with them. He was quiet and reserved, but he could laugh until he cried. He was a jack of all trades and could fix just about anything.

Tubby was a great man and was happily married to the love of his life for 60 years. He will be truly missed by everyone who knew him.

Martin (Tubby) Morris Schelin was preceded in death by his parents, Rexford and Ruth Schelin and siblings, Margaret Fellows, Mary Keene, Myron (Bud), Joseph, Bill, Bob, Bonnie Nibblett, Nancy Schelin, and Jeff Redfern.

Tubby is survived by brother Everett (Butch) and sisters Beatrice (Bee) Boston, and Delores (Dodie), all currently residing in Butte. His children Marty Redfern and Julie Redfern (Great Falls), Terri O'Donnell (Butte), Toby and Stacy Schelin (Ramsay), Alice and Curtis Stoltenberg (Billings), Todd and Kim Schelin (Lake Tapps, WA), and Amanda and Rory Thornton (Lafayette, LA). Grandkids: Zachary, Tara, Colt, Perry, Brandon, Jamie, Britney, Shanna, Taryn, Payton, Sammy, Blake, and Rex. 21 Great Grandkids and one on the way...

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

FEB 27. 5:30 PM (MT)

Butte Depot
818 S. Arizona
Butte, MT 59701

Tribute Wall

JK

“ *i am so sorry for your loss . he was an amazing man . he was the first person to welcome me to the neighborhood he will be missed.*

Jo Knapp - February 28, 2019 at 10:47 AM

RA

“ *Remembering Tubby, a great brother Iron worker. Condolences to his family.*

Ray (Ruggy) Nelson

Ray(ruggy)Nelson - February 27, 2019 at 09:10 PM



“ (Uncle Tubby)

Aunt Pork, Terri Todd Toby Amanda am his other children an all those wonderful grandchildren of you two. I am so sad to hear of his passing. My daughter Sarah sent me the notifications yesterday. I wish I could be there for his Celebration of life am to be with my family. I am away on vacation as not able to get a plane out soon enough.

Know that all of you are in my heart, my prayers.

Uncle tubby was one of the most loving caring an nurturing men I was blessed to call my family.

You know when my dad passed he made certain to let all of us kids know that he was going to be here if ever we needed to talk. Many a late nights I would call him and just chat for a couple minutes after daddy passed. Later on my calls grew fewer and farther apart. I have asked myself today why did this happen, I come to the conclusion that Tubby always said you can take the kid out of Butte but you will never take Butte out of the kid. And in this you will always know where you belong and who is your Kin. So now he is with both of his parents and his siblings that have gone before him. I too hope that just because that butte kid is gone he too shall never be forgotten.

For God sent his son to show the flock what is to come and when God comes again all his flock will be joined in life again.

I will await this day with all the love and grace that Uncle Tub showed us all. An along side him will be my parents and grandparents and many others who I know and love 💕💕

Until we meet again I will leave these words of my endearing love.

Jamie Schelin - February 26, 2019 at 02:15 AM

BL

“ *Butch, Toby, Stacy and Family,
Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers.
Scott and Becky LaRoque*

Becky LaRoque - February 25, 2019 at 12:27 PM

GO

“ *Arlene, Toby and family. I was shocked to hear of Tubby's passing. Our hearts and prayers are with you. Gary and Christine O'Hern.*

Gary and Christine OHern - February 25, 2019 at 12:19 PM

GD

“ *My condolences from a former neighbor on N. Idaho St, Butte.*

Gino Dunfee - February 25, 2019 at 10:19 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Martin Morris "Tubby" Schelin.*



February 24, 2019 at 05:05 PM