



Gerald D. Sheaman

May 14, 1947 - December 12, 2009

Gerald "Jerry" Sheaman, beloved son, brother, husband, father, grandfather and by far, master of all trades, passed away suddenly on December 12, 2009. He was 62. Gerald Sheaman was born in Lusk, Wyoming on May 14, 1947 to Robert "Bob" Sheaman and the late Alice Sheaman, the oldest of three children. Jerry met his soul mate, Gloria in Casper, Wyoming and the two were married on December 20, 1969. Jerry and Gloria moved to Fort Collins, Colorado where they attended Colorado State University. They bought a home in northwest Colorado where they started a family together. Jerry and Gloria raised two sons, Todd and Jeff. Jerry was the owner of a hay hauling company and successfully operated and worked in the business for twenty-one years. After briefly working in commercial real estate, Jerry started a hardwood flooring business in 1993 and continued working steadily through 2009. While at work, Jerry was always known for his commonly worn Carhartt bib overalls. Outside his professional life, Jerry was passionate about working on old farm machinery. Jerry enjoyed working in his shop, whether it was changing the oil in his pickup or completely rebuilding a Caterpillar or John Deere Tractor. Jerry's recent project was to repair a snow cat for family friends. Jerry enjoyed helping others, whether it be a family member, close friend or a complete stranger and he never asked for anything in return, besides maybe a hot cup of coffee. Jerry's size and large hands earned him the nickname "Bear" to most, but he was known to everyone for the size of his heart and his compassion for his friends and family. Jerry enjoyed spending

time with his beloved wife of almost 40 years. Jerry also enjoyed spending time with his two sons and five grandchildren. When not at work, Jerry could usually be found on one of his numerous farm toys taking his grandchildren for rides around his house. His family always saw and referred to Jerry as a "big kid" playing with his toys. For years, Jerry was active in the Boy Scouts of America and he earned numerous awards and accommodations. He traveled to numerous locations around the United States and to Mexico to share scouting with others. Jerry also enjoyed attending the Livermore Community Church, where he stayed active in church programs and plays. He was recently cast to play a role in an upcoming Christmas play. Jerry is survived by his wife, Gloria; sons, Todd of Fort Collins and Jeff of Green River, Wyoming; five grandchildren, Ashley, Holly, David, Kaydon and Quinlan; brother, Kerry of Fort Collins; sister, Evelyn of Cheyenne, Wyoming; and father, Robert Sheaman of Lusk, Wyoming. He is preceded in death by his mother, the late Alice Sheaman. A Memorial Service will be held Thursday at 1:00 p.m. in the South Auditorium of Timberline Church, 2908 S. Timberline Rd. Viewing will take place on Wednesday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Bohlender Funeral Chapel. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to Jerry Sheaman Memorial Fund in care of Bohlender Funeral Chapel, 121 W. Olive, Fort Collins, Colorado 80524.

Tribute Wall

DS

“ *David Sheaman lit a candle in memory of Gerald D. Sheaman*



David Sheaman - December 01, 2017 at 07:09 PM

DS

“ *Jerry was my grandpa and thank you for all the comments I loved him and miss him*

David-son of Todd Sheaman

David Sheaman - December 01, 2017 at 07:01 PM

CR

“ *Jerry was a great man and soul, plain and simple. He was a Scouter's Scouter, and no outing was the same without him. Our loss is great, for he filled our lives with humor, honor and dignity. I'll never forget the time the GP-medium collapsed on top of him under the heavy snow. We found him under a folding table, snoring away as if nothing had ever happened. Thanks for all the laughs and fun, Jerry. So long for now, old pal. See you again in camp up there.*

Charlie Ringer - December 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ Jerry was the embodiment of the love that God has for all of His creation. He had a huge heart that was exceeded only by his hard work ethic and sense of humor. We have all been blessed by his time with us.

Steven D Broman - December 23, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ Our thoughts are with you and your family. Maronna Mathews-Smith

Maronna Mathews-Smith - December 21, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ I was so saddened by the loss of Jerry. He never approached anyone without that BIG smile on his face. I was fortunate to meet him through Cub Scouts 20 yrs ago and enjoyed every minute with him. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family, Gloria.

Beth Hixson - December 21, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ I was so sorry to hear about Gerald. We were classmates and I always enjoyed visiting with him at our class reunions. He was always so happy to see everyone and always had a story to tell. I am sure he will be greatly missed by his family as he will be by his classmates. With deepest sympathy, Judy Pate Ruffing

Judy Pate Ruffing - December 20, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ Jerry was a fine man and a good friend. He will be missed by many. Our thoughts and prayers go out to his family.

Bob and Kathy Ferris - December 19, 2009 at 12:00 AM

WA

“ Was stunned to hear of Jerry's death. He was my right hand man for my Wood Badge Course NC-171. Jerry also brightened our days. Now he is doing it for God. He will be missed here. Thanks for sharing him with the Boy Scouts. Wes Agar Mighty Bucky Beaver

Wes Agar - December 19, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RG

“ I am saddened by Gerald's passing. I saw Gerald 4 years ago at our 40th year high school reunion in Lusk and my thoughts were at the time that Gerald must be the happiest, most positive, genuine, high energy and kindest person around. That is exactly how he was as a friend in high school. I am sorry for your loss but your memories of him will certainly sustain you.

Ron Glandt - December 18, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ Gerald was a classmate of mine from Lusk. We were in industrial arts class together our senior year and I really got acquainted with Gerald then. We were both shy but I overcame my shyness and had to ask Gerald for help on a couple of projects. I always looked forward to our class reunions because he was always there. Gerald was a good, loyal friend and always a lot of fun. I hope you will always have the good memories to cherish. I will always remember his jolly laugh. He was a good person!

Carol Taylor Smith - December 18, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KD

“ We are grateful for getting to know Jerry, through his work and generous character. He will be missed and our condolences to you his family upon the upcoming holiday season. Kevin Dewlen & Addy Elliott

Kevin Dewlen - December 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ From one Sheaman family to another. We share your loss, our thoughts and deepest sympathy go out to you. I was honored to have Gerald as my cousin. I always remembered his happy and positive outlook on life.

DAN SHEAMAN - December 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RJ

“ Dear Sheaman family, It was back in 1965 that I first met Jerry while we were students at the University of Wyoming. We had alot of fun together and I'll never forget that hearty laugh. It was contagious...it made everyone want to laugh. I never saw him lose an arm wrestling match. Several players on the football team took him on....they lost. Sometimes when we were a little homesick, Jerry would drive up in his old International pickup and immediately, things were all better. He truly was a wonderful person and will be greatly missed. Our thoughts are with you during this difficult time.
Ron & JoAnn Johnson

Ron & JoAnn Johnson - December 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ My Condolences to Gerald's Family from The Longs Peak Council Boy Scouts of America Wood Badge Family and the extended of BSA family. I knew Gerry through Order of the Arrow, Wood Badge and various other venues in Scouting. The Nick Name Bear applies to many scouters but Gerry was an especially kind person whom I looked up to and appreciated his dedication toward youth. I will miss him and his sense of humour and his sense of dedication. Lloyd K. Hashimoto, Laramie, WY

Lloyd K. Hashimoto - December 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KK

“ Dear Sheaman Family, I am so sorry to hear of Jerry's passing. He was a good guy. I have very fond memories of him from many different activities at Ben Delatour Scout Camp. The one that still makes me smile is when he tried not so successfully to show me how to make coffee in the old double brewer in the dinning hall at an OA Ordeal. He always had a real smile when he saw me even when years passed between visits. The world is a little less with out him. My prayers are with you. God Bless. Kurt Kuhlmann

Kurt Kuhlmann - December 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LJ

“ Gloria, Todd, Jeff, Kerry Oh what a super friend Jerry has been. Lots of memories back in Colorado at the sale barn and numerous parties and hauling hay. Always just delighted to see you. Hope you can all come to enjoy the wonderful memories he has given us all.

Lee & Marian Jojmson - December 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ I didn't get to know Gerald very well but with his kindness and outstanding personality I'm sure he brought joy to the lives to all who knew him. I admire his devotion to the youth of our nation--a dire need in our country today.

Kathleen Sullivan - December 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ Jeff, Our condolences to you and your family for the loss of your father. You will all be in our prayers.

Rich & Amy Fischer - December 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ Jerry is the most wonderful man I've ever known. I'm so sorry for you losing him. I'll never forget his great personality and his love for you and his boys. I'm so sorry Gloria----I'm thinking of you. Love --
Kelly

Kelly Shepherd - December 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ Gloria and family, I am so glad you called us and let us know of Jerry's passing. We are so sorry. Oh, the memories we have of him, always laughing with that mischevious grin. Will never forget the drives and picnic's up in the Poudre. First memories of him were of he and his brother coming out to the ranch loading hay and coming to the house for dinner. He loved home made bread and pies. I could go on and on. Your Heavenly family is now started and I can just see him up there eagerly fixing and repairing floors. He loved you and his boys and thought the world of his mother-in-law. His grandchildren had a grandfather they can be very proud of, as he was of them. He will be missed but not forgotten! Don't worry about tomorrow, God is already there. Our prayers are with you and all your family.

Morris & Maxine Mathews - December 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ Gloria, I'm so sorry to hear about Jerry's passing. You're in my thoughts and prayers. Love, Lanette

Lanette Garcia - December 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JA

“ Gloria I am so sorry for your loss. Know you'll miss him and the grandkids will really miss him and all the things that Grandpas teach the grandkids. I know you'll have the strength to carry on taking care of your family. Jo

Jo Allard - December 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ Dear Ones, I'm so sorry for your loss. Gerald was such a wonderful man. He had a talent for making everyone feel special. Our grandmothers were sisters and I was always proud to call him my cousin. I will miss his visits and his hearty laugh. There is a hole in my heart with his passing. He was a very dear and exceptional person.

Rhonda Gunn Holdbrook - December 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM

WM

“ Gloria and family, I am so sorry to hear about Jerry. He was a very special man. I will never forget the summer i worked for Jerry and lived with your family when i was 16 years old. Jerry was such a caring man and treated me like one of his own. I learned a lot from him and i will always have those memories. He will be greatly missed. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Wes Mathews

Wesley Mathews - December 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ The Bear will be missed. Jerry was always jolly and welcoming, always glad to see you. He was Best Man at our wedding. Our condolences in his passing.

Jerry & Jan Cotner - December 15, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DL

“ Jerry will surely be missed! It saddens us to hear of his passing. We spent many times together with Boy Scout Troop 197. We will always remember him for his kind heart and ever-present smile. Our deepest sympathy goes out to Gloria, Todd and Jeff and there families.

David & Rosellen Lobree - December 15, 2009 at 12:00 AM

EW

“ Jeff & Todd, I am so sorry to hear about your dad. I am sending prayers and love to all of you. Please let me know if I can do anything. God Bless all of you! Liz

Elizabeth Walker Woodland - December 15, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ Gloria and family, Jerry's warm smile, strong hugs and firm handshake will be missed more than any of us may yet realize. We all loved him, and I can say that he is one of the best men I have ever known. From the first day I met Jerry in the Animal Science building at CSU so many years ago to our very last visit, he has been the same sincere friend. He was one of the most generous and even-tempered people God ever created. We all gained by simply knowing him. With our sincere condolences. Rod and Andrea

Rod and Andrea Carter - December 15, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BF

“Gloria, Jeff, Todd, What a terrible loss. Our heartfelt condolences go out to all of Jerry's family and friends. I often reminisce about Jerry and the boys and all the fun, interesting, and enjoyable times we had together in scouts and beyond. I don't think that I have ever met a family that is filled with so many good people. I will be out of town on Thursday and, sadly, will not be able to attend the memorial service but will be thinking of you all and sending prayers your way. Sincerely, Barry Feldman and Barbara Cohen

Barry Feldman - December 15, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SG

“Jerry was a great and generous man. I have fond memories of him from scout trips...getting to ride with him on camping trips was always a treat because he had so many interesting stories to tell us. He will be missed.

Steve Green - December 15, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JS

“Jeff, My condolences to you and your family.

Jamie Spencer - December 15, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TN

“Jerry never met a stranger - what a strong, passionate, outgoing, loving man! I have been gone from FC for many years - and have nothing but fond memories of the whole Sheaman family. Know that my heart and prayers are with you. May you find strength in Him and with each other to help you get through. Jerry will be missed but never far.....

Terri Noyer - December 15, 2009 at 12:00 AM

ES

“ Jerry was my friend. But then many could claim his friendship, because he freely gave it. He delivered hay to us in the '70s. He never had a bad day -- not one that showed, anyway. Every time I would try to latch on to that massive hand of his, but he'd just squeeze and chuckle like the big-hearted man that we all knew him to be. Wyoming lost a good one. We all did. I've never forgotten you Jerry. Never will. God bless you. May your family carry on in the light you left behind. Happy trails, my friend.

Eric Smith - December 15, 2009 at 12:00 AM

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Terri Noyer - December 15, 2009 at 12:00 AM

VS

“ Lori, My late husband and your husband were good friends, and that is how I came to have the privilege of knowing Jerry. I'll always remember his gentleness, and his twinkling eyes, and his big voice saying, "You bet!" Please know my thoughts are with you.

Virginia Mrs John Soderberg - December 15, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ I'll never forget the "bear" his laughter and joy he shared throughout the Scouting program. That's how I met Jerry his joyful life he shared with all. My condolences goes out to his family for he will be missed by all. God bless.

Red McDonald - December 15, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ Todd and family, My thoughts and prayers are with you today. I hope the holidays will help you celebrate your father's life in an extra special way.

Kim Stefanski - December 15, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ I will miss Jerry a great deal! I will never forget our times together and all the times he helped me when in need. I really appreciate his heart that was as big as the universe. Love you Jack

Jack Shinogle - December 15, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ We were so sad when we heard the news about Jerry's passing. Our thoughts are with all of Jerry's family. He was truly a great friend and I can say that he never knew a stranger! Sincerely, Dave and Karen Wisseman

Dave and Karen Wisseman - December 15, 2009 at 12:00 AM

WR

“ *Jery will be missed by scouting. He is remembered, by me, for the times he sanded and finished the floor of Coral Rock Lodge at BDSR.*

Wally Rice - December 15, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RJ

“ *Gloria Jeff & Todd--Evelyn My wife and I have many fond memories of visits and trips to far away places. Scout trips campouts work parties. Dinner lunch and breakfast staying at your house, fun trips and leadership courses. I will always treasure our last visit only a month ago. thanks to you and your family for the love fun and friendship we have enjoyed with Jerry!! Rees and Norma Johnson*

Rees Johnson - December 15, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ *I will dearly miss you Jerry. You brought joy to me every time I had the privilege to wait on you! The whole restaurant became alive when you came in, and so did I. Thank you, for being there, and brighting my days! Love, to you Gloria, Jean, Jeff, and Todd. This "corns" for you, Jerry.. Sincerely, Sandy Hergenreter*

Sandy Hergenreter - December 15, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ *My sincere condolences to Todd and the rest of the family on the loss of your father. I was very sad to hear of your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Janet Clark - December 14, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ *My sincerest condolences to the family at this difficult time.*

Sharon Robinson - December 14, 2009 at 12:00 AM

GL

“ *We were so sorry to hear of Gerald's passing. He will surely be missed by many. With our Deepest Sympathy and Love. Gary & Lala Lamb*

Gary & Lala Lamb - December 14, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DL

“ *You all have our deepest sympathy, and are in our thoughts and prayers. I certainly remember him most for being able to talk to anyone, don't think he ever knew a stranger.*

Dee and Kathryn Lutt - December 14, 2009 at 12:00 AM