



Maynard Lewis Beitz

November 10, 1940 - March 15, 2023

Maynard Lewis Beitz, age 82, of Fort Collins, CO passed away March 15, 2023, at his home after a long battle with Parkinson's Disease.

Graveside Service with Military Honors to be held Tuesday, March 21, 2023, 11:00am at Buck Creek Cemetery, Hopkinton, IA.

His parents were Everett and Elma (Porter) Beitz of Hopkinton, Iowa. He graduated from Buck Creek School in 1958, then worked for Johnny Saunders, Hopkinton Co-op, and Bill Murray Grain. Maynard enlisted in the US Army and honorably served for two years before he was honorably discharged to return home and marry his bride, Calista Kay Wilson in Manchester, IA on 9/9/1967. They have one son, Steven John Beitz.

Maynard started a career working for Woodward Governor Company in Rockford, IL., and then transferred to Fort Collins, CO in 1967 and continued until retirement in 1995.

Then to enjoy retirement he helped local farmers and enjoyed his chinchilla herd he started in 1969 until he sold the herd in 2020. During his years of chinchilla ranching he won over 100 trophies and was inducted into the Chinchilla Breeders Hall of Fame for years of dedication to the industry and served as Colorado Branch President and Vice President for many years.

He will be greatly missed by many.

Maynard is survived by his wife Calista (Wilson) of 55 years and son Steven Beitz (Amy Palmer) of Wellington, CO. Siblings Charlotte Emerson, of Manchester, IA, Donna (Chuck) Hettinger of Greeley, CO, Diane Beitz of Manchester, IA, and Gerald (Sue) Beitz of Monticello, IA.

Preceded in death by parents Everett and Elma Beitz, brother Leon, brother Norman, and infant brother Kenneth Beitz.

Memorials in Maynard's memory may be directed to the family.

Previous Events

Graveside Service

MAR 21. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM.

Buck Creek Cemetery
Delaware County, IA

Tribute Wall

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“ *Maynard was such a kind man. He was quiet and gentle. Luckily for me was also patient...at his wedding he had to wait longer than usual for his bride Calista to join him at the alter... here comes the bride was played over and over. The wait was caused by the flower girl who refused to walk down the aisle ... luckily his future brother-in-law Leland came to the rescue and escorted the flower girl down the aisle!! Finally his lovely bride made her way to the alter for their own happily ever after!!! Maynard you will be missed. Rest in peace. Love Kim (Cramer) Gordon
(aka your favorite and most memorable flower girl)*

Kim Gordon - March 18, 2023 at 07:16 PM