



Raymond L Walker

July 26, 1927 - May 12, 2020

Raymond Leroy Walker Born July, 1927 rode on to the high pasture with his Lord on May 12, 2020. He was a cherished husband of nearly 73 years, a father of 5, papa of 19, great-grandpa of 44, and great-great-grandpa of 1. He was a cherished friend to so many.

Ray grew up in the Toppenish area chasing wild horses with his brothers and living the cowboy life to the fullest. He met his soulmate in 1945 while picking hops and soon thereafter went off to serve his country in World War II. They never stopped writing love letters while he was overseas. While in the service, he was a doctor's medic, an honorable position he received because doctoring people wasn't much different than doctoring animals. As he got home and was offered to re-enlist, he said, "I'm getting married when I get home and there are wild horses to catch." He married the love of his life in 1947 and they raised their family in the Satus area near Toppenish, WA.

His children and grandchildren will always remember their daddy and papa as a strong yet gentle cowboy who was full of Christ-like love. His way with horses or just about any animal was special. He was not easily excited or surprised and if he was surprised, a quiet "hoo" was all he said. His heart was soft for all and his laugh was contagious.

Those who knew Ray knew he had never met a stranger and was loved by everyone. His kind, humble, and gentle nature was easily felt by all he met. Throughout his life he had done just about everything and could do just about anything he set his mind to. He created memories that will last a lifetime for

the large extended family he built. With many cattle drives, camping trips, berry picking outings, and Easter holiday's spent in the hills, his life was more than abundant.

His memory and stories live on with his precious wife LaVerne Walker, their children Becky (David) Ray, Patty (Don) Ross, Allen (Mary Ann) Walker, Kevin (Pam) Walker, Lisa (Kyle) Shinn, and so many grandchildren. This proud Christian, husband, daddy, papa, and Yakama Nation member will be missed by many. A viewing will be at Colonial on Monday May 18 from 12 - 4pm. A Celebration of Life will be announced at a later date.

Cemetery Details

Elmwood Cemetery

Elmwood Road
Toppenish, WA

Tribute Wall



“ *Raymond L Walker*

October 05, 2023 at 11:22 AM



“ *So sorry for your loss, he was a good man leaving a great legacy behind. Beautiful family may God bless you all. You were all blessed to have him in your lives and very fortunate. Blessings from John and Nan Sholtys* 🌈🌈

Nan Sholtys - May 21, 2020 at 11:09 AM



“ *Always had such a calming sweet spirit about him. I always felt welcomed and comfortable around him. The true meaning of a loving, caring man. A sweet, gentle spirit. Love to all of you*

Janice Clark - May 20, 2020 at 09:20 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Raymond L Walker.*



May 18, 2020 at 01:30 AM

TC

“ I remember Uncle Raymond as a soft spoken man, last time we were able to visit at Uncle Les' home.
With fond memories.....and know there's quite a reunion going on in heaven right now!
Love and prayers to you all, Danny and Tina Coggins

Tina Coggins - May 17, 2020 at 11:18 AM

GS

I will never forget Raymond, he was like a father to me.
Much of who I am and the man I have become is because of his influence on my life.
My heart is broken but the loving memories of growing up with the Walker will bring me peace and joy!
Eddie

George E (Eddie) Shirley - May 17, 2020 at 10:20 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Raymond L Walker.



May 17, 2020 at 10:54 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Raymond L Walker.



May 17, 2020 at 10:34 AM

CW

“ Uncle Raymond we were very blessed to have a man with your kindness, gentleness and strength bless our lives. The love between you and Aunt Laverne is an inspiration to us all. You are so loved and missed. The tributes to you show how much you affected so many lives. Our hearts to the rest of the family during this difficult time.

Love Tim and Cheryl

CHERYL Walker - May 16, 2020 at 10:52 PM

CM

“ Carmen Merry lit a candle in memory of Raymond L Walker



carmen merry - May 15, 2020 at 01:16 PM

KK

“ *Kyke & Teresa Kollmar lit a candle in memory of Raymond L Walker*



Kyke & Teresa Kollmar - May 15, 2020 at 12:03 PM

MA

“ For the Family, it is difficult to understand your loss or to know how you feel during this time. But I will ask the Creator that he and those that have gone before us touch your hearts to start the healing and help you remember all of the wonderful, happy memories that each have experienced during his life path on earth. 🏡🐶
My thoughts and prayers are with you all. 🌸



Margaret Ambrose - May 15, 2020 at 11:32 AM

SW

“ Shasta Olney Watlamet lit a candle in memory of Raymond L Walker



Shasta Olney Watlamet - May 15, 2020 at 10:13 AM

JP

“ He was such a sweet and kind man...I worked with his daughter Patty and fell in love with her Mama and Daddy..I wanted to steal them. What an abundant life he led...I am privileged to say I knew him. God Bless the family as they celebrate a life well lived
Jerri Purdy

jerri Purdy - May 15, 2020 at 09:49 AM

SM

“ *Such a kind man. Sending love for you all!*



Steven & Leah, Josh & Sammie Meiser - May 15, 2020 at 09:41 AM

MC

“ *Mary Creeley lit a candle in memory of Raymond L Walker*



Mary Creeley - May 15, 2020 at 02:36 AM

CL

“ *Uncle Raymond was such a precious soul. He will be greatly missed.*

Cathy (Burgin) Latona - May 14, 2020 at 08:18 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Raymond L Walker.*



May 14, 2020 at 04:32 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Raymond L Walker.



May 14, 2020 at 03:30 PM



“ 2 files added to the album Memories Album



Heggie's Colonial Funeral Home - May 14, 2020 at 02:39 PM



“ Sending prayers and love to all of you.

Brandon & Karen Walker - May 13, 2020 at 10:02 PM



“ Prayers and love being sent to your family. We were blessed to have him in our lives.

Kelly and Terry Carter - May 13, 2020 at 05:38 PM



“ Kelly And Terry Carter lit a candle in memory of Raymond L Walker



Kelly and Terry Carter - May 13, 2020 at 05:36 PM

Virgil
Brewer

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Virgil Brewer - May 13, 2020 at 05:31 PM

Virgil
Brewer

“ Virgil Brewer lit a candle in memory of
Raymond L Walker



Virgil Brewer - May 13, 2020 at 05:30 PM

Lesterley
Stump

“ Lesterley Stump lit a candle in memory of
Raymond L Walker



Lesterley Stump - May 13, 2020 at 05:24 PM

Lesterley
Stump

*The family is all in my thoughts and prayers during this sorrowed and
difficult time. Hugging you all with my heart. Sincerely, Leslie and family*

Lesterley Stump - May 13, 2020 at 05:26 PM

AH

“ *Arlie Holden lit a candle in memory of Raymond L Walker*



Arlie Holden - May 13, 2020 at 12:14 PM

AH

Uncle Ray was a great and gentle man, who will be missed by all who knew him. Our thoughts and prayers are with all the family during this very difficult time in life. God bless

Arlie Holden - May 13, 2020 at 12:17 PM

BO

“ *Bernice Owens lit a candle in memory of Raymond L Walker*



Bernice Owens - May 13, 2020 at 11:31 AM

TF

“ *Prayers 🙏 Love ❤️ and Hugs 🤗 for family.*



Tess French - May 13, 2020 at 10:01 AM

MG

“ *Thoughts and prayers to the entire family. Love you all and always here if you need anything! I will always enjoy the memories of when I would get a chance to chat with him and his smile with twinkling eyes for the love of our family.*



Mikal Gadley - May 13, 2020 at 03:17 AM