



Jay C Schultz

July 12, 1936 - January 17, 2015

Jay C. Schultz, 78, Bismarck, died January 17, 2015, at Missouri Slope Lutheran Care Center, Bismarck. A memorial service will be held at 11:00 am Friday, January 23, 2015, at First Presbyterian Church, Bismarck, with Pastor Rebecca Aardahl officiating. Burial will be at 2:00 pm at the North Dakota Veterans Cemetery, Mandan. Cremation has taken place. Jay was born July 12, 1936, in Rugby, ND, the son of Percy and Edythe Schultz. He attended school in Towner, ND, moved to Bismarck in 1953 and graduated from Bismarck High School in 1954. He graduated from the University of North Dakota in 1958 where he received a commission in the US Army. On April 11, 1959, Jay was united in marriage with Janice Meisner. Following their marriage, they moved to Fort Lee, VA, where Jay served on active duty. He returned to North Dakota to work with his father in the family-owned Caterpillar dealership. For more than thirty years he owned and operated a ranch and feedlot operation, CZ Schultz Ranch, in Stanton, ND. This was his true passion and his family often referred to him as "Cowboy Jay" and "Man of the Cow." Jay served as a North Dakota State Senator for two legislative sessions in 1973-1975. He also served on the board of the Central Livestock Association in St. Paul, MN, and represented the organization on the National Meat Board. He retired as a major from the U.S. Army Reserves after 20 years. He has served as a deacon and Sunday school teacher in the First Presbyterian Church. He also held membership in the Elks Lodge, Masonic Lodge, El Zagal Shrine, and Jesters. More recently, he mentored young

entrepreneurs as a member of Senior Corps of Retired Executives SCORE. Jay was a storyteller and many Jay-isms, will live on with his family. Survivors include his wife of 55 years, Janice "Tootie," whom he often referred to as "The Great Mother of Them All." He is also survived by "The Harvest", his son, Chuck "Charlie" and his wife, Sandra, West Palm Beach, FL, his daughter, Tracy Spaulding, and her husband, Kent, Portland, OR; his daughter, Stephanie Schultz, and her husband, Andy Smith, Austin, TX. "The Harvest" also includes his five grandchildren, Sydney and Axel Schultz, Kayleigh Spaulding, Gracie "The Lady" Smith and his namesake, Jay Andrew "Deuce" Smith. Jay also leaves one brother, John, Phoenix, AZ. He was preceded in death by his parents. Cowboy Jay: Rest in Peace!

Tribute Wall

HB

“ Although I didn't know Jay well, I always felt a connection with him because of our shared relationship to Towner, Rugby and McHenry county. I am sorry to hear of his death, but happy to read of his successes and interests. Special condolences to Tootie, Jim and Dolores.

Helen Shinn Beavin - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ Tootie, John & Family. We are sorry to hear of Jay's passing. I mostly remember Jay when he spent time working at Schultz Machinery at Minot. He gave me a lot of good advice about going to school at UND. Sadly I wish I would have known he was at Missouri Slope. We have been there many times over the last year, visiting Maureen's mother. We assumed you had left Bismarck. At any rate, We wish to extend our sympathies and wish you the very best. Warm regards. Tom & Maureen Schultz

T.A. Schultz - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GA

“ Tootie, Chuck, Tracy, Steph and John, Sorry for your loss. I was given an incredible opportunity in business at a very young age and trusted by Jay and John. I will always be truly grateful for what I learned and have a great respect for Jay. My prayers are with you all at this time.

Gay Anderson - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TW

“*“Tootie”, John and family. My thoughts and prayers are with you on your loss of Jay. I was fortunate enough to know Jay thru the years as a customer of “Peacock Alley” and was able to work with him as a North Dakota Senator. Always charming and a big smile - he will be missed!!!*

Tom Woodmansee - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

EA

“*Very sorry to hear about Jay’s passing, he was a great neighbor growing up. Hunting for deer on his ranch is about the best hunting memory I have of North Dakota. He enabled me to make money mowing a lawn; instead of the chore it was mowing our own lawn. I too, enjoyed all the stories and laughs.*

Eric Anderson - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SS

“*Still not fully able to accept the fact that my Grandpa Jay is gone. I’m really going to miss that tough old cowboy and all of his confusing yet heartfelt Jay-isms.*

Sydney Schultz - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CP

“*Tootie and kids: I got to meet Jay when he would stop by to visit with Harold, fun was had by all. He was one of the guys with stories and advice that we depended on. As Sonna said, I am sure there will be lots of laughter in heaven!!! My sympathies to you*

Corrina Haadem Pfaff - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SN

“ Tootie, Charlie, Tracy and Steph -- I am sorry for your loss. I have so many fond memories of living next door to you growing up on Catherine Drive. I remember the "party" Jay and Tootie staged after we'd been gone on vacation, and how Jay was supposed to keep Odin and Eric and Lee in line if the folks were gone for the weekend. Jay was a great guy . there'll be lots of laughter in heaven with the old gang. Again, my sympathies. Sonna Anderson

Sonna Anderson Name - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM