



Jerold Miller

July 28, 1950 - November 2, 2006

Jerold "Jerry" H. Miller, 56, passed away, surrounded by his family, on November 2, 2006 at his home. He fought a long, courageous battle with cancer. A memorial service will be held Tuesday at 10:00 AM at Parkway Funeral Service. Jerry was born at Gackle, ND, on July 28, 1950. He was the son of Harvey and Rosemary Miller. Jerry will be deeply missed by his family and all of the friends he made during the 30 plus years he was an independent "over the road" 18-wheeler. Anyone that ever had the privilege of knowing Jerry, knew he loved his trucks and loved being on the job. Next to his family, this was his greatest love. Jerry is survived by one son, Brad Miller, Grand Forks, ND; two daughters, Jill Miller, Eagan, MN, and Stacy Miller, Bismarck, ND; two grandchildren, Tyler Miller and Taylor Miller, Eagan, MN; his father, Harvey Miller, Bismarck, ND; and one sister and brother-in-law, Karen and Frank Eide, Bismarck, ND. He was preceded in death by his mother, Rosemary; and one brother, Gary. In memory of Jerry, the family prefers that everyone perform a simple act of kindness for another person, just as he did every day for everyone his life touched.

Tribute Wall

DA

“ This is an obviously late post, but I found myself thinking of him again tonight and although he is worth more than words, I thought I would write something to keep his name and memory going on. I grew up next door to the Miller family and got to know them quite well over the years. If you did not know Jerry, he could be quite intimidating. Anyone who did know him, knew what a gentle giant he really was. Now an adult, I look back at the times I spent around him and have gained so much more of an appreciation for what type of man he was. Jerry was hard working to a fault. If you were having a bad day, his humor would triumph. If you needed anything, he would give you the shirt off his back. He always made time for you, no matter how busy he was. The sadness I feel towards Jerry these days, is that I never got to truly thank him for being such a good person to me and my family. I will never forget him trying to make a backyard skating rink for his kids, or the 4th of July's we spent together filling the streets with fireworks, and the times he would come over to the house and tell my parents dirty jokes as we kids would listen in from the other room and giggle. Jerry Miller is a great man. I will always associate him with Semi-trucks of course, and motorcycles, iced coke at my folks, his fear of snakes, and his jokes, but the one thing I will never forget is his love for his family. That is where he truly shined and keeps shining. I miss you friend.

Darren - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RK

“ Our lives are blessed by the joy and laughter induced by this big man with such a great big heart. He was always there to lend a hand, when needed and advice, even when you assured him you had things taken care of. I don't know many Dad's that drove a 18 wheel truck to a hockey game or drove across a state to fix a car for one of his daughters. He was ready to "Go be with God" for a long time. I'm glad he's now at peace and without pain. He gave endlessly and took so little for himself. Many thanks to Karen and Frank for taking such great care of Jerry in your home. Stac & Brad you were there for him, as he's been there for you so many times. He was so proud of all of you. There is nothing like a coffee stop and grandpa's brag pictures to share. We will miss him & have learned to appreciate his positive attitude and belief that his children would overcome the difficult times and be better people for it. Our thoughts and prayers are with you, May God Bless you, Rich & Rhonda

Rich & Rhonda Krell - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DT

“ We look back fondly at all the years we lived on the same street, on all the times Stacey and Brad spent with our Sara and Casey and all the hours Jill babysat our Alex. We are very sorry to hear of the loss of Jerry.

Don & Carolyn Twedt - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

WF

“ A good Friend has been and will always be missed WE MISS YOU!!!!

Wendell Wentz And Family - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DT

“ *Jerold Miller*

Don & Carolyn Twedt - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

HA

“ *What a friend Jerry was to us. He was our best man at our wedding if you asked him about it he would say, "I was their best man and I still am." He is our son's godfather and loved our children as he did his own. He was a big teddy bear to Sue and a twin to Harlan. When you see Jerry you would see Harlan. They were known as the twins. He was such a story teller and could get a person to believe him then he would laugh. We have such good memories and we will cherish them forever. What a man with a big heart and soul. We will miss you and we love you Jerry.*

Harlan and Sue Abrahamson - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ *Papa you were one of a kind and will be missed deeply. We will make you proud and I will take good care of your treasures, Tyler and Taylor. Love you lots and lots, Jill!!*

Jill Miller - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ *We spend much time together with Jerry and Audrey when they were in Scranton. Jerry and Randy were driving trucks at the same time. Got to be very close to each other. Jerry had a very contagious smile and always had a joke for every occasion. He will be missed by all. I will suggest to the children of Jerry recall his memories and speak his name often, it does help.*

Randy and Nettie Schumacher - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ on behalf of my sister who is to little to write I, tyler miller know my little sister loved Papa Jerry . she would always smile when she saw him and he would always make taylor laugh.

taylor miller - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GS

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WK

“ Beyond the far far horizon where we cannot see..Lies the glory of eternal tomorrow, "How Beautiful Heaven mustbe"!! You where,are, and always willbe a Special Man! We Miss You!!

Wanda and Paul Kellam - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ My memories will always be with me, about Jerry, always being up, evan whenhe wasn't feeling well. The kidding we would enjoy doing to each other. Nevernew what jerry would come up with next.A fellow employ, who became a very great friend. He will be missed and remembered by many. Thanks Jerry foryour wonderful friendship. J. Kimm Cady Dispatcher Vail Northwest.

Kimm Cady - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TG

“ We always enjoyed seeing Jerry when we would meet him on the road. He was always glad to see us and we shared many stories. We would talk about people we know and update each other on those we hadn't see for awhile. It was always good to see someone from our home state when we were away from home. He will be missed.

Tom and Joyce Gross - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BR

“ My Dad's heart was bigger then any shell of a body could contain. I get a comfortable feeling knowing that he is watching over all of us. I say thank you to all who has sent there well wishes and prayers.

Brad - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MK

“ We were sorry to hear about Jerry. Our thoughts & prayers are with you all. Love Mark & Colleen Kupper

Mark & Colleen Kupper - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ Our thoughts and prayers will be with Jerold and his family - always!

Karen and Cal Fischer - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ I got to know Jerry these last ten years by working on his truck. He always had a joke of the day, when he would come in the shop and tease everyone, we always had a good laugh whenever he would bring in his truck. He was always good for a laugh, and he could understand your problems and he would share some of his. He was very good to me and my family and treated my kids like his own. He would hang a picture of Haley in his truck and say, "thats my Haley." My job, and the world would be alot better place if there was more people like Jerry. He will be greatly missed by everyone who got to know him.

MARK STARCK - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ A day on the road encountering Jerry at a truckstop having lunch with Harlan, or pulling into a company to load or unload and he's there ...is like the sun rising on a bright new day! It brings a smile to your face as you remember the last "Joke of the day" or just how gulible you were for that last exotic story an "Gott ya, Made ya smile!" Always so ready to get you with some punch line, to make you laugh and forget the reality world of the long hours, tough loading or just that windshield wiper eyes of long hours driving in the rain. The ready to help if you needed directions, helped load an tarp if you were at the same place, an never drove by if you were stopped on the side of the road , he was there to help if not in parts, in much humerous moral support and it wasn't as bad as it seems looking thru his cheery eyes. His "made ya smile" will be greatly missed by many who worked with him at Yellowstone Trucking and his Highway traveling Concrete Cowboy Friends of the Open Road ...who thru the long hours of the night driving... will remember the wonderful memories he left us with... to drive away the miles with smiles. We'll miss you, but your just a thought away and always in our hearts. Your friends,

Debra Carpenter, Philip Burt - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

IM

“Dennis & I were priviledged to know Jerry and his family for many years. We met in Scranton and became good friends. Even thou we each moved, our vists picked up right where we had left off. The stories about our kids shananigans were always constant! Over the years we loved to get phone calls from Jerry while he was out on the road "trucking". The special times we'd run into each other always were fun filled. We will truly miss you, Jerry. God's blessings to your family.

Irene & Dennis Mitchell - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AM

“I would tell everyone we met 38 years ago in high school when this cool new guy on a Honda moved to my home town. I was almost 16 and he was 18. He would tell you that we met 12 years earlier at my grandparents home. Grandpa "Elevator" as he called my grandfather was chasing kids with the garden hose. He caught Jerry and put the hose in Jerry's Davey Crockett shorts and turned on the water!! Whatever year we choose to say it began, our years were full of dreams, joys, sadness and love. In September, Jerry and I were talking about all the pictures we had taken over the years and I told him I would bring him some to look at. He said" I don't need pictures. I have all the memories in my heart!" We had many, many years together, good memories too many to count, and the blessings of a lifetime in three children and two very special grandchildren. We will keep these forever in our hearts. Love, Audrey

Audrey Miller - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ jerry was one of my favorite people on this planet. he always made me laugh and i always looked forward to my birthday poem. i will miss him so much and i know he and my brad will share many laughs together. my thoughts and prayers are with all of his family.

cathy meyer - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KE

“ I truly have been blessed being able to call Jerry my brother and my friend. He was such a caring, compassionate and loving person. I thank God for the privilege of having been able to care for him during his illness. We had many, many 2:00 AM "talks" and those will always be a treasure - I love him dearly and will miss him every day. God Bless You - Jerry. Remember you promised to give Mom and Gary a hug from me. Love your Sister

Karen K Eide - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

FE

“ After living with us for 1 and 1/2 years I learned a lot about Jerry. His humor was unbelievable. Always, even in his last days, some of the things he said would bring a smile to everyone. I only wish that I could have his sense on humor. He was a very strong man in more ways than one. I shall miss him and am proud that he would call our place home. May God Bless!

Frank Eide - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ To Stacy and Brad: Budda was the best truck driver you ever knew and a very good friend. I will miss him forever.

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

HC

“ I have so many happy memories of Jerry. I don't think a holiday or birthday dinner went by where he didn't say something to me that made me blush. I always wondered if he sat up the night before thinking about what to embarrass me with this time. I also remember his jokes and sense of humor. Jerry always knew how make you smile & laugh. Jerry - you will be greatly missed and thought of often! Love you! Heather

Heather Cowan - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TJ

“ My heartfelt sympathy goes out to the your family, I remember Jerry always in a good joking mood. I remember the time Jill and I took the jimmy and we were not suppose to and Jerry came looking for us I think he found us on main street. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Love and Prayers, Tamara Jaeger

Tamara Martin Jaeger - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CT

“ I will never forget the trip Jerry, Brad and I took to Idaho in his truck. That was just one of many good memories I will always have of Jerry, Brad and the entire Miller family! Sorry to hear the news, I am very glad I was able to experience his friendship. Jerry will be missed.

Casey, Desrae and Cody Twedt - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RE

“ Jerry was quite the guy, even tho I didn't really get to know him until much later in life. He had a sense of humor that many of us would love to have. Always seemed to have an answer for anything that was said, especially at the dinner table. He was fun to be around. I think alot about the day that I didn't meet him for pizza, had other things to do... Wish I could have that day back, I'd have done things differently. Jerry is resting with the Lord now....

Rick Eide - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ Papa Jerry was always the coolest and everybody knew it. evertime he would go out to eat at a restaurant and the waiter would say " I'll bring you the check" Papa would say "you can keep it" We all miss Papa Jerry but we all know he's in a better place with his mom and he is always looking over are shoulder and he will always be with us.

Tyer Miller - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KE

“ I have many thoughts of Jerry, he's the one who has probably teased me the most out of a lot of people. I hardly never wear dresses so the one time he sees me in a dress he has to touch my leg to make sure they are real and not made of wood. Thought I was hidding something. He always had wise cracks to say and never forgot who's turn it was to get someone back. I will always remember the names he named me. It was so much fun to get to know Jerry and we will miss him a bunch. Thoughts forever. Kerry

Kerry Eide - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ So many memories of Jerry...I can remember when we first met...My dad and Jerry were truckin' buddies and the great wimes we shared in Scranton will always be cherished. However, The time I remember the most was when I had my wisdom teeth cut out...all four at once and we stayed at Jerry and Audrey's. Jerry came about every half hour to check on me. I was in so much pain and of course he made me laugh and that made the pain even worse, but he tried to make me feel better by bringing me a huge chocolate shake. No matter what the situation Jerry always had something funny to say. His quick wit and joke of the day will always make me smile. My thoughts and prayers go out to All of Jerry's family. May the good times, laughter and fun carry you through these difficult times. God Bless! Melissa

Melissa Ensign Mutschelknaus - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PS

“ May you see all the angels

Pamela Stevenson - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RR

“ I am sorry I will be unable to attend Jerrys memorial..We are out of town.. I considered Jerry A very good friend and will miss being picked on by him. Are thoughts and prayers go out to his family. Rod

Rod Rosene - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ JERRY WILL BE MISSED DEARLY. HE COULD ALWAYS MAKE ME LAUGH. THERE ARE LOTS OF MEMORIES OF HIM. HE WOULD CALL AT LEAST 5 TIMES A DAY, EITHER TO MAKE ME LAUGH OR FUSTRATE ME AND TO GET THE LAST WORD IN ONE OF WOULD HANG UP ON THE OTHER. LOVE YA ALWAYS PAPA JERRY.

ROBIN STARCK - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ Dad, you will be missed so much. I love you and will always miss you. You are in my heart forever.

Stacy Miller - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

FE

“ Jerold Miller

Frank Eide - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

WN

“ We're thinking of you and wishing you comfort and peace during this time of sorrow. Kindest thoughts are with you.

Wilbert & Alvina Ulrich, Terry, Gary & Nancy - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GD

“ Jerold Miller

Garry Deckert - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CK

“ TO THE FAMILY JERRY WAS A VERY SPECIAL PERSON. OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH ALL OF HIS FAMILY

CINDY KULM - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM