



Larry Schmelzla

November 25, 1950 - October 11, 2022

Larry Schmelzla passed away at his home the morning of October 11, 2022. He was born in Willcox, Nov. 25, 1950, to Jean and Fred Schmelzla. Larry farmed for his dad and then for himself after his mom passed. He sold his farm when his dad sold his.

He enjoyed 4-wheeling and floating down the Salt River with friends in the 70's. Water skiing in 80's and river rafting at the Grand Canyon late 80's-90's (was a regular for several years and made more friends). Would go to Rix's Tavern to visit and where Daryl would have his Coors light (in cans for him). His latest adventures were his bike and trike rides in the 2000's. Multiple rides to Ruidoso and the big one to Sturgis.

He is survived by his sister Kevin and nephew Jason, sister Judy Documas (George) of California, Niece Cathy Browning and great niece and nephew Myla and Lane Hooker of Tucson, Niece Jeanette Browning Carlisle of Texas and great nieces Stephanie and Christina and their children.

Preceding him in death were his parents Jean and Fred and his brother Cody Browning.

A gather of friends and family will be held at Rix's Tavern on Sunday, October 30, 2022, beginning at 2:00 pm

Previous Events

Gathering of Family and Friends

OCT 30. 2:00 PM (MT)

Rix's Tavern
176 S. Haskell Ave
Willcox, AZ 85643

Tribute Wall

JD

“ Although I knew about you, we didn't meet until the memorial service for our big brother Cody Browning. It was a sad time but there was also a giant ray of sunshine. You walked over to me and said " I guess you're my sister". You gave me a big hug and I melted. I was so happy to finally meet you. Although we lived far apart, we communicated through letters and cakes. So glad you enjoyed them. Meeting again for lunch on a visit to Wilcox, we got to know each other better. Then you were gone. There is an empty place in my heart since you have been gone. I know we could have been pals. I will always love my little brother Larry. Your big sister
Judy Dacumos

Judy Dacumos - August 27, 2024 at 03:46 PM



“ Larry Schmelzla

January 30, 2023 at 12:50 AM

LB

“ Gone so young! Thank you Kevin for all your care and help!

LaDonna Burgess - October 19, 2022 at 01:59 AM

VD

“ Vickey Dickerson lit a candle in memory of
Larry Schmelzla



Vickey Dickerson - October 19, 2022 at 01:43 AM

AG

“ *My deepest condolences to the family. R.I.P Larry!!*

Ana Gonzales - October 17, 2022 at 03:11 PM

AG

“ *Ana Gonzales lit a candle in memory of Larry Schmelzla*



Ana Gonzales - October 17, 2022 at 03:09 PM

CD

“ *Condolences to Larry's family...*

Rick & Connie Diggs



Connie Diggs - October 17, 2022 at 01:36 PM

TB

“ *Tessie Black lit a candle in memory of Larry Schmelzla*



Tessie Black - October 15, 2022 at 10:17 PM

JM

“ *Johnnie Moore lit a candle in memory of Larry Schmelzla*



Johnnie Moore - October 15, 2022 at 11:24 AM

SH

“ *Larry was loads of fun in school. We joked around a lot and he was a good friend.*



Sandy and Larry Head - October 14, 2022 at 11:16 PM

GS

“ *Greg Smith lit a candle in memory of Larry Schmelzla*



Greg Smith - October 14, 2022 at 06:32 PM

ML

“ *My deepest condolences to Larry's family and friends. A truly epic Willcox man. Rest easy, Larry.*



Melinda Larson - October 14, 2022 at 04:45 PM

MI

“ Was happy to service Larry’s trucks & we would sit in my lazy Boys & visit & when Eddie Clark & Eddie H would come by we had great visits R.I.P.

mick - October 14, 2022 at 04:39 PM

CS

“ Cathe Shelton lit a candle in memory of Larry Schmelzla



Cathe Shelton - October 14, 2022 at 06:58 AM

JP

“ My condolences to the family. He was always a good neighbor.
Julie peterson and family



julie peterson - October 14, 2022 at 03:15 AM

CC

“ Love and prayers to all of Larrys family and friends.



Carrie Carter - October 14, 2022 at 01:25 AM

TM

“ *Trey Moses lit a candle in memory of Larry Schmelzla*



Trey Moses - October 13, 2022 at 11:12 PM

CD

“ *Carol Dunagan lit a candle in memory of Larry Schmelzla*



Carol Dunagan - October 13, 2022 at 09:57 PM

SR

“ *Me deepest condolences to the family. Larry was always such a nice guy.*



Sharma Reed - October 13, 2022 at 01:53 PM

MD

“ *Martie Doke lit a candle in memory of Larry Schmelzla*



Martie Doke - October 13, 2022 at 01:27 PM

LR

“ *Lawrence Angela Rodriguez lit a candle in memory of Larry Schmelzla*



Lawrence & Angela Rodriguez - October 13, 2022 at 11:58 AM

EC

“ *Such sad news. My heart go out to Kevin and Jason. Larry was a one of a kind. My oldest memory of Larry is going horseback riding in the Winchesters when we were probably 10 or 11. Seems like not so long ago.*



Ed clark - October 13, 2022 at 09:26 AM

Jl

“ *James Cook lit a candle in memory of Larry Schmelzla*



James B Cook II - October 13, 2022 at 06:57 AM

GW

“ *Deepest condolences to you Kevin, and to the rest of the family. Rest in peace Larry you will be missed by many.*



Gloria and Bill Wood - October 12, 2022 at 11:36 PM

RN

“ Russ Hannah Nofziger lit a candle in memory of Larry Schmelzla



Russ and Hannah Nofziger - October 12, 2022 at 07:30 PM

DC

“ We are sorry to hear of Larry’s passing. All our love and prayers to his family. We have such fun memories of Larry.
Danny and Judy



Danny and Judy Chastain - October 12, 2022 at 04:36 PM

CC

“ He always called me "kid" I guess because I was Ronnie's little sister. Larry had a absolute heart of gold, he was a loyal friend and will be missed by many. Our sincerest sympathy to Kevin and Jason.
Chad, Carol & Dylan



Carol Case - October 12, 2022 at 01:58 PM

GA

“ Gussie Sharon Arzberger sent a virtual gift in memory of Larry Schmelzla



Gussie & Sharon Arzberger - October 12, 2022 at 01:49 PM

BD

When I think of Larry I remember a green GTO. Awesome car and Larry was an awesome guy. I am sorry for your loss Kevin

Bonnie Diehl - October 28, 2022 at 03:39 PM