



Jack & Juanita Chism

March 19, 2020 - March 19, 2020

Jack Frederick Chism and Juanita (Watson) Chism, who had a love that lasted 73 years, passed away within hours of each other. The high school sweethearts married November 15, 1947 in Kokomo, IN. Due to the recent outbreak of Coronavirus and recommendations from public health officials, a celebration of Jack and Juanita's lives will be held later this summer. Silha Funeral Home of Wibaux, Montana has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Juanita passed away Wednesday evening, March 18, 2020 at Wibaux Co. Nursing Home in Wibaux, MT near her husband's side. Juanita was 91 years old, born November 13, 1928 in Kokomo, IN. She was the daughter of Isaac and Lucy (Neilander) Watson who preceded her in death. Juanita attended Kokomo High School and worked at Haynes International, where she later retired. Juanita had two siblings, sister Jane (Harold) Adams and brother James (Naomi) Watson, all of whom are deceased.

Jack passed away early Thursday morning, March 19, 2020 just hours after the love of his life passed away. He was 90 years old, born May 5, 1929 in Kokomo, IN. He was the son of Arthur and Blanche (Donovan) Chism who preceded him in death. He graduated from Kokomo High School in 1948 and then went on to work at Cuneo Press, where he later retired. Jack had five siblings, brothers Arthur (Dorothy) Chism, Walter Chism, and Lester Chism, and two sisters Rosemary (Doyle) Reed and Norma (Everett) Cuttingham, all of whom are deceased.

After they both retired in Kokomo, IN, they decided to move cross-country to Wibaux, MT in 1999. They raised their family in Indiana and decided to make the move following their son, Jay, and daughter, Jackie.

Their surviving children are two daughters, Joset (Dennis) Rush of Logansport, IN, Jackie Quinn of Wibaux, MT, and a son, Jay Chism of Wibaux, MT.

They have seven grandchildren; Ed (Carlena) Quinn of Glendive, MT, Jeff Mckee of Kokomo, IN, Tarei St. Clair of Kokomo, IN, Stacy (Ryan) Engel of Peru, IN, Brandon (Leatha) Chism of Dickinson, ND, Rachel (Josh) Wentz of Glendive, MT and then Chrissy (Kentley) Holley, both of whom are deceased. They have 14 great-grandchildren; Carson Quinn, Adelaide Quinn, Jayden Holley, Avery Holley, Baylee Holley, Brady St. Clair, Mady St. Clair, Braxtyn Maroney, Nixon Engel, Benjamin Engel, Caden Chism, Riley Chism, Bentley Wentz, and Hailey Wentz.

They both enjoyed working out in the yard and gardening, watching basketball, old western movies and Jimmy Swaggart Ministries, doing puzzles, and spending time with family. They attended Morning Star House of the Lord (Kokomo, IN) and Mt. Zion Free Methodist Church (Kokomo, IN).

They were preceded in death by their son in law, Gary Quinn, granddaughter, Chrissy Holley and her husband Kentley Holley, and grandson Isaac Chism.

Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at: www.silhafuneralhomes.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Jack & Juanita Chism*

December 07, 2022 at 04:10 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss... Thoughts and prayers are with your family*
💔😞🙏

Cynthia Zehring - March 29, 2020 at 11:40 AM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. We are sorry for your loss.*



Dale & Alisa Boehning - March 23, 2020 at 11:14 AM



“ *Jackie and family, so very sorry for the loss of your parents. will keep you and families in my prayers.*

Carol woolever - March 23, 2020 at 10:31 AM



“ *Oh Jackie and family I'm so sorry to read this.. blessings and prayers sent to each of you during this difficult time. Hugs!!*

Jacky Boje Saur - March 21, 2020 at 05:40 PM

JS

“ *Jacky Boje Saur lit a candle in memory of Jack & Juanita Chism*



Jacky Boje Saur - March 21, 2020 at 05:38 PM

BC

“ *Jackie & family, We're so sorry to hear this - thoughts & prayers for all of you.*

Buzz & Dorothy Chaffee - March 21, 2020 at 02:46 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Jack & Juanita Chism.*



March 21, 2020 at 01:10 PM

GL

“ *So sorry Jackie. Your parents were wonderful people!*



Gary & Susan Lawrence - March 21, 2020 at 10:53 AM

GM

“ I still have no words but I do know how grateful I am for them and for their example of unconditional love for each other. Such a special couple and one I'll never forget. You all are in my prayers and I'm forever grateful you allowed me to get to know them 💜

Gina Manhart - March 21, 2020 at 04:20 AM

MG

“ Jackie-and family, I am so sorry to read of your parents' passing, many thoughts and prayers for all of you. ~Mary Jo Gehmert

Mary Jo Gehmert - March 20, 2020 at 08:32 PM

DR

“ I spent many a day at their house as a kid—always welcoming. They were both such great people. Our thought and prayers are with you all in this heartbreaking time. Hold on to your memories.

Denny and Jodie Ramer

Denny & Jodie Ramer - March 20, 2020 at 07:44 PM

MF

“ I am so sorry for your loss, your mother was a sweetheart, I will deeply miss her and Jack. I loved going to the nursing home to do her hair



Maureen Fulton - March 20, 2020 at 07:28 PM

DJ

“ *Doug And Judy Johnson sent a virtual gift in memory of Jack & Juanita Chism*



Doug and Judy Johnson - March 20, 2020 at 06:21 PM

LG

“ *Les And Gina sent a virtual gift in memory of Jack & Juanita Chism*



Les and Gina - March 20, 2020 at 05:10 PM

LT

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this sad time.*

Les and Gina Tipton - March 20, 2020 at 05:08 PM

PC

“ *My love and deepest sympathy to the all the Families of Jack & Juanita Chism in this sorrowful time of loss. God saw fit not to separate them even in death. Eternally together forever & ever. May you all find comfort in your wonderful memories. God be with you.*



Pat St Clair - March 20, 2020 at 04:21 PM

DN

“ There just are no words to express the sorrow I feel for you & your family, but hope you find comfort in knowing others will miss them, too. I first met them when they moved here & bought my folks' home. They worked so hard to get it fixed up & made it beautiful again. I enjoyed getting to know them through book club, too. Theirs was a 73 year long love story that has extended into eternity.

Diane Nelson - March 20, 2020 at 04:15 PM

DS

“ *Dick Sadorf lit a candle in memory of Jack & Juanita Chism*



Dick Sadorf - March 20, 2020 at 03:52 PM

AH

“ *ANN HOFF lit a candle in memory of Jack & Juanita Chism*



ANN HOFF - March 20, 2020 at 02:47 PM