



Jerry Pesha

May 12, 1918 - March 11, 2023

Jerry Pesha, age 104, of Spokane, Washington, formerly of Wibaux, Montana passed away on Saturday, March 11, 2023 at Ridgeview Place in Spokane. A Funeral Service will be held on Friday, May 19, 2023 at 10:30 A.M. at Silha Funeral Home in Wibaux with Pastor Avis Anderson officiating. Interment will take place at Beach City Cemetery in Beach, North Dakota. Silha Funeral Home of Wibaux has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Jerry Pesha was born May 12, 1918 near Polluck, South Dakota, the son of Josef and Antonia (Riha) Pesha. His given name was Jaroslav Pesa, meaning spring celebration. Jerry was educated in Campbell County, South Dakota and moved to Wibaux County in May of 1934 with his brother, Joseph Pesha Jr., with their parents following in September of 1934. He lived in NE Wibaux County along the Beaver Creek for sixty years.

Jerry married Elma Horning in 1944, and they had two daughters, LaRae (Metz) and Patricia (Miller). Elma passed away suddenly in 1955. Jerry later married Etta Mae (Urban) Sich in August of 1957. Along with her two sons, Lyle and Allen, they all lived together in Wibaux as a family of six. Jerry and Etta Mae moved from the Ranch into "town" in 1994, where they resided until her passing in 2019. After Etta Mae's passing, Jerry moved to Spokane Valley, Washington, where he lived out his remaining years.

Jerry enjoyed many things in life, but some of his favorites were his cattle, horses, faithful dog, Lady and walking in the hills. In his later years, he enjoyed playing gin and pinochle with his longtime friends and family. Jerry

was a story teller, often recounting stories of going to dances as a young man and driving each of the ladies in town safely to their homes for the night.

Always a gentleman.

Jerry was preceded in death by his parents; first wife, Elma; daughter, Patricia; sons Lyle and Allen; brothers, Godfrey, Joseph, Charles and Frankie; sister, Rose; two nephews; one grandson and most recently by his beloved wife, Etta Mae.

Jerry is survived by his daughter and son in law, LaRae and Richard Metz; three grandchildren; five great grandchildren and his sister, Elsa Russell.

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

Cemetery Details

Beach City Cemetery

Beach, ND 58621

Previous Events

Funeral Service

MAY **19**. 10:30 AM (MT)

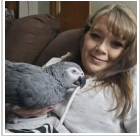
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Tribute Wall

DN

“ *My thoughts & prayers are with Jerry's family & friends. Loved his stories & his sense of humor.* ”

Diane Nelson - May 18, 2023 at 12:31 PM



“ *My dad, Elmer Peterson, has very fond memories of Jerry and Etta Mae.* ”



Jen Johnson - March 17, 2023 at 11:37 PM

RJ

“ *Jerry was a bright delightful light on earth and sure he is happy for all the love he was given, by so many who loved him.* ”

Rosie Johnson - March 16, 2023 at 01:52 AM

DN

“ *So sorry to hear of Jerry's passing. My thoughts & prayers are with his family & friends during this difficult time.* ”

Diane Nelson - March 15, 2023 at 11:02 PM

DC

“ *Jerry and Etta Mae loved me like a son. I sure miss them. RIP* ”



Donald Christianson - March 15, 2023 at 08:46 PM

AI

“ Jerry and his family were dear friends and neighbors throughout the years.

God's peace and comfort to all who knew and loved him.

Adele Idso - March 14, 2023 at 05:18 PM

LT

“ Larry Noreen Turnquist lit a candle in memory of Jerry Pesha



Larry and Noreen Turnquist - March 14, 2023 at 04:12 PM

RB

“ Rick Karen Berg lit a candle in memory of Jerry Pesha



Rick and Karen Berg - March 14, 2023 at 11:16 AM

CH

“ Carol Hanson lit a candle in memory of Jerry Pesha



Carol Hanson - March 13, 2023 at 06:36 PM

AD

Jerry and Etta Mae were such lovely people. My Aunt Florence was married to Jerry's brother Joe. We made many trips to Wiboux to visit them and my aunt. We always had to stay with them. When Jerry knew we were coming, he was sitting at the table with the pinochle deck. I miss him and Etta Mae and all the memories we made together, God bless you. I'm sure heaven will be entertained with Jerry's many stories.

agnes Dybing - March 16, 2023 at 10:57 AM

BK

Being neighbors and growing up with his daughters, I have great memories of him and his family.

Barbara Kehrberg - May 19, 2023 at 09:08 AM