



## Nelson A. Cordill, SR.

September 1, 1923 - March 28, 2011

A lifetime resident of Amber, Washington, Nelson Albert Cordill passed away unexpectedly on Monday, March 28, 2011 at the age of 87 with his loving family at his side. He was born September 1, 1923 at Rodna, Washington, to Leonard C. Cordill and Ivy M. Sooy. He grew up on the family homestead with his brother, Clark, near Effie Washington. Nelson attended school at Amber and graduated from Amber High School. He later met Mabel Heil and they were married on November 18, 1944, and together they raised three children on the family homestead. Nelson was active in his community serving on many boards and organizations such as Amber School Board, Cheney Grange Supply, Amber Grange, Masonic Lodge, longtime member of Emmanuel Lutheran Church and the Washington State Cattleman's Association, where he served as their President in 1983. He was preceded in death by his wife, Mabel, of 58 years, his parents, Leonard and Ivy Cordill, and brother, Clark Cordill. He is survived by his three children: Kay Proff and husband, Mike, Ann O'Connor, Nelson Cordill Jr. and wife, Ronda; eight grandchildren: Brian, Kimberly, Suzanne, Kyle, Megan, Jonel, Craig and Lauren; seven great-grandchildren: Hailey, Riley, Anna, Abraham, Kale, Kelli and Addilynn; two stepgrandchildren: Michael and Vincent, and one stepgreat-grandchild, Ashlyn. A memorial service to celebrate Nelson's life will be held at Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Cheney, Washington, at 11:00 A.M. on Friday, April 1. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to Shriners Hospital for Children, 911 W. Fifth Avenue, Spokane, WA 99204. Nelson possessed a

loving heart, a passion for life and service to his community. He will be greatly missed.

# Tribute Wall

SH

“ *My thoughts are with the family. Nelson you will be sorely missed. I only met Nelson Sr a few times but remember that he was always a great friend. Thank you for wishing us the best well on the road.*

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**Sherry Hartmeier** - April 04, 2011 at 01:35 PM

TD

“ *We are sorry for your loss. Nelson was a great customer and will be missed. From all of us at Motion Auto Supply.*

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**Todd Duty** - April 04, 2011 at 10:59 AM

MH

“ *One Sunday as Nelson and I waited for services to start, a long time member stopped by to visit. He mentioned that he would have to come earlier to church, because a couple of ladies were sitting in his pew. Nelson looked up at him and with a cute grin said "why don't you go sit between them". Nelson had such a quiet sense of humor. I will miss him so much.*

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**Mary Henningsen** - March 31, 2011 at 09:45 PM

BK

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

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**Beth & Joe Kintschi** - March 31, 2011 at 08:39 PM

JM

“ I'm so sorry to hear about your dad. I always had the greatest respect for him. I recall the first time we met at his home with Claude Dillon and a discussion about which was most important to a rancher, grass or cows.  
I also remember Clarence Kelley sneaking out to plant some pine trees on a steep north facing slope at your ranch. I don't know if Nelson ever figured out who planted them. My condolences,  
Jud

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**Jud Melton** - March 31, 2011 at 04:28 PM

CM

“ Our condolences go out to Mr. Cordill's family. We will very much miss his kind, gentle strength in our community.

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**Chris & Suzette Mangini** - March 30, 2011 at 01:41 PM

MH

“ I was lucky enough to be pew partners with Mabel and Nelson for several years. When Mabel passed, I continued to sit with Nelson. He was a kind gentleman. I used to say to Mabel that he was so patient waiting for her when she was involved with the WOC at Emmanuel. She told me that she waited plenty on Nelson while he was involved with grange and Cattlemans Assoc. so it was his turn. It was once again her turn to wait for him...

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**Mary & Wes Henningsen** - March 30, 2011 at 01:06 PM