



## Jerry N. Arestad

September 7, 1940 - December 11, 2012

Jerry Arestad, age 72 passed away peacefully on Tuesday afternoon December 11th 2012 at Whatcom Hospice House with his family by his side.

Jerry was born September 7th 1940 in Bellingham to Norris and Virginia Arestad. He graduated from Ferndale High School in 1959 and married Maureen in May 1993.

He served as a sheet metal worker with Northwest Sheet Metal Workers Local 66 retiring from the trade in 2002. Jerry was a very hard working man. Born and raised on a dairy farm he spent his lifetime farming raising dairy heifers and beef cattle. He enjoyed dancing, trail riding, fishing, hunting and training his dogs. He loved the outdoors and became an avid pheasant hunter during his retirement. His last season was very special. Hunting and reminiscing with his sons reaching all 129 of his goals until ten days before he passed. He had many wonderful personal attributes that made him respected and loved by all who knew him.

Jerry was preceded in death by his parents. He leaves to mourn at home his loving wife and their two adorable Labrador retrievers Sadie and Spanky. He is survived by one sister Diana (Don) Hanson, his four sons Rick (Heather), Ron, Ryan (Michele) and Randy, two stepsons Clint and Jeff, grandchildren: Nicholas, Zach, Katie, Breawna, Landon, Cory, Andy, Ryley, Aidan and Liam.

A celebration of Jerrys life will be held Monday December 17th at 1:00 PM at Cornerstone Community Church, 5732 Olson Road in Ferndale.

The family wishes to thank the amazing team at Whatcom Hospice for their support and loving care over the past few months. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Whatcom Hospice Foundation, 2901 Squalicum Pkwy, Bellingham WA 98225. Please view the memorial and sign the online guest book to share your thoughts and memories of Jerry.

#### Farewell Tribute Information

A celebration of Jerrys life will be held Monday December 17th at 1:00 PM at Cornerstone Community Church, 5732 Olson Road in Ferndale.

# Tribute Wall

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“ I’ve known Jerry for a lot of yrs, went to Ferndale High with him and Howard who I ended up marrying. Jerry was a really nice guy and so sorry he had to leave us so soon. Maureen, you and I have never met but I wanted to express my condolences to you and to all his boys and family. Losing a loved one is not easy. Remember the good times. My best Karen Robson

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**Karen Robson(Copps)** - December 11, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ My deepest condlances to Maureen and boys. Jerry and I were neighbors and friends for many years. We also shared many hours hunting phesants together over the years and created some great memories. Rest in peace my friend.

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**Cary Ford** - December 11, 2012 at 12:00 AM