



William Lindsey

June 30, 1923 - March 25, 2011

William (Watermelon Bill) Millard Lindsey, born June 30, 1923 in Chickasha Ok. Died March 25, 2011 at age 87. He married in 1951 to Teddy Beaty. He lived and worked in Oklahoma, New Mexico, and Arizona most of his life. Since 1983 he lived in Dexter, NM and became known as the Watermelon man because he traveled to Pecos, TX in the summers for watermelons to sell at the 40 mph curve near Dexter, NM. As a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints he served as Branch President in Chickasha, OK. He was a member of the Roswell stake and attended Roswell 2nd Ward and Artesia Branch.

He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Teddy Beaty Lindsey. His children, Ellis (Connie) Lindsey of Mesa, AZ, Judy (Dean) Miyasaki of Rexburg, ID, Elizabeth Ann Lindsey of Dexter, NM and 7 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren.

A viewing will be held at Anderson Bethany Funeral Home in Roswell on Monday March 28 between the hours of 6-8 pm and the Funeral to be held at Roswell Stake Chapel of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints at 2201 Country Club Road West in Roswell at 11 am on Tuesday, March 29, 2011. He will be laid to rest at the Hagermen Cemetery.

Please take a moment to share your thoughts and memories with the family in the online register book at andersonbethany.com.

Arrangements are under the direction of Anderson Bethany Funeral Home and Crematory.

Tribute Wall



“ *William Lindsey*

December 29, 2022 at 05:26 PM



“ *I too am saddened by Bill's passing - he was a fixture on that curve with his melons and cantaloupes, always happy to see everyone and asking about the crops.....Godspeed Bill.....Jim Berry*

Jim Berry - April 07, 2011 at 10:35 PM



“ *I just wanted to express my gratitude for Bill Lindsey and his family. I remember all the time and energy spent on making sure I got to church meetings and all the hospitality shown to me by allowing me to be a part of the family spending so many nights with you guys so I could be at church. Ellis and Judy always came the distance to pick me up for MIA and Church, (and we had church twice on Sunday back then)! I am sorry to hear of your loss and want you to know my thoughts and prayers are with you all. Love you all.*

Anna Berniece Petersen (Williams) - March 30, 2011 at 04:30 PM

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“ I have so many fond memories of Mr. Lindsey and his family. Ellis and Judy were two of my best friends in high school and I adored their sister, Ann. I spent some of my happiest days at their home southwest of Ninnekah during those years. Mr. and Mrs. Lindsey and their family were so gracious to me and treated me like one of their own children. I have really missed having them close. My sympathy and prayers are with each of you during this time. Love you much!
Peggy (McClellan) Sayers

Peggy (McClellan) Sayers - March 29, 2011 at 10:15 PM

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“ I hope you don't mind if I address my thoughts to Bill. Teddy and Ann they are for you to. I haven't been around you for many years but you have always been in my heart. You were one of the first families I met when I joined the Church 37 years ago. You taught me how important the scriptures were in searching truth. One of things I remember about you, Bill, was when I had finally been able to quit smoking you remembered the day I quit and you brought me a box of candy one year later. I had mastered the addiction, it was gone. I don't remember the date or year but I remember the month, it was in April. I always enjoyed hearing your prayers, they always came from the heart. If I remember correctly, Bill, you always started prayer with as we (I) bow our (my) head before thee. Bill you were and are a kind and gentle child of God. My life has been blessed because I knew you.

Clothilda (Jacki) Rohling - March 29, 2011 at 09:24 PM

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“ I am saddened to see that Mr. Bill has passed away. He was a staple in the community, and even though I have been gone for many years; when I went back to visit, he was there selling his watermelons. I offer my deepest condolences to the family, and pray for comfort for you all. God Bless...

Heidi Otradovec (MonDragon) - March 28, 2011 at 07:56 PM

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“ Teddy and family, Our love and prayers with you.

Jr and Jan Watts - March 28, 2011 at 02:31 PM