



## Dale Schrock

May 25, 1929 - October 31, 2009

Dale David Schrock was born May 25, 1929 in Tangent Oregon to Dave and Bena Schrock, the youngest of six children. He attended McFarland Elementary School and Greenberry School. He attended Corvallis High School and when his brother was called to service in WWII, Dale was called back home to help on the family farm.

March 19, 1949 he married Jeannie Lola Dryden. Together they had four children. He started farming his own land in the mid 50's

He remarried on July 21, 1961 to Virginia McClain Teach. They fused the two families bringing Virginia's two daughters out to the farm. They had two more children, bringing the total to eight. Together they ran the family farm raising pole beans, strawberries, and various row crops. To help supplement the farm and support the family, he worked various jobs including; running a logging crew in Mapleton, clearing sage brush in eastern Oregon, and running heavy equipment in Washington, and for a time selling cars for Charlie Tharp in Corvallis.

Dale was heavily involved in the Benton County Planning Commission. During his time on this board he was instrumental in bringing Hewlett Packard to Corvallis. He moved on to becoming a Commissioner in Benton County and served in that position for 16 years. While in office he made a special point to personally meet and know all county employees. Some of his key focuses were; inspection of improvements of county roads, remodeling of the Benton County Courthouse and construction of the new law enforcement building and

jail. He was involved with the Association of O&C Counties from 1975-1990 and served as President of this group for several years.

Upon his retirement from the County Commission, he received from his co-workers a Black Labrador puppy named BC (Benton County). With BC at his side, he stayed active on the family farm and working at the upkeep of his beautiful yard and home. During the last few years he was highly involved in the Greenberry Irrigation District as part of his constant effort to improve farm ground. Dale was an ardent OSU Beaver fan, often seen at football games, women's basketball games and gymnastics events.

He was preceded in death by his parents Dave and Bena Schrock, his brothers Vernon Schrock and Earl Schrock and sons Joseph David Schrock (infant) and Vernon Earl Schrock killed in action in Viet Nam.

Dale is survived by wife Virginia, children Charlene Mahon of Albuquerque NM, Beci Loeschen of Corvallis, Laura Schrock Maxwell of Corvallis, Debra Schrock Vidis of Roseville CA, Mike Schrock of Corvallis and Nancy Schrock Garcia of Roseville, CA, 19 grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren with two more on the way.

Viewing will be Thursday November 5th from 3-7pm at McHenry Funeral Home. Private Family graveside services Friday November 6th. A Celebration of Life Saturday November 7th at 2pm at Benton County Fairgrounds.

Memorial Contributions can be made to: Benton County 4-H or Benton County Fairgrounds Foundation in care of McHenry Funeral Home.

# Tribute Wall

JH

“ Jim said the other day that Dale was the happiest guy. Every day he had a smile for everyone.

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**Jim & Frances Hathaway** - November 11, 2009 at 02:02 PM

LF

“ Virginia and Family, I was very saddened to hear of Dales passing. It brought back very found memories of working on the farm with all of you (Virginia and Mike and Little Nancy) I will never forget the caring Dale always showed, specially as I was leaving for the military. My thoughts and prayers are with your entire family. Take care.

Larry Fields [lefields@aol.com](mailto:lefields@aol.com)

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**Larry Fields** - November 09, 2009 at 06:58 PM

DS

“ Debbie & Mike - I am so sorry for your loss. Your father was such a wonderful man and was by so many. I know that he will be missed by so many. Know that you and your family is in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. Much love to you all. Dana

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**Dana Schlacht** - November 04, 2009 at 02:11 PM

DR

“ My special memories of Uncle Dale are "picking beans" at his farm, laughing & generally having fun with my cousins while we picked. He never was stern to us girls, even though we knew he was trying to make a living for his family. Uncle Dale was a great "boss." And cousin Vernie helped us lug those heavy bean sacks with a smile & the same wonderful sense of humor as Uncle Dale. In the last few years I have had the priviledge of joining the May Birthday group for their annual lunches. This last May, Dennis went with me & Uncle Dale was thrilled to have a "male" to converse with...share jokes, stories, etc. Dennis & I were looking forward to the next May luncheon...we know that Uncle Dale will be there in spirit with all of us. May his loving memory bring peace to your hearts.

*Jeanette & Dennis Banta*

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**Dennis & Jeanette Banta & children Stacey & Ryan** - November 03, 2009 at 09:59 PM