



Larry F. Derricks

September 19, 1936 - January 5, 2023

Larry F. Derricks, passed away on January 5, 2023, at his home in Jacksonville, Illinois. He was born on September 19, 1936, in Denmark, Wisconsin, the oldest of seven children. Larry graduated from Denmark High School in 1954. He attended the University of Wisconsin-Madison and took the two year course in Agriculture Studies. He was hired by Armour Meat Packing as a livestock buyer and traveled extensively in the US. His work brought him to Illinois in the 1960's. Here, he met and married his wife, Barb, in 1964. After his position with Armour Meat Packing ended, Larry became a claims adjuster with Country Companies. He began his true calling as a Salesman with Gordon Implement in Riggston in 1970 where he sold John Deere equipment throughout the Midwest. He retired after 50 years of selling John Deere equipment in 2020. After retirement, he kept busy helping out at J.O. Harris Sales.

Larry's life outside of sales was heavily involved in 4-H, FFA, and livestock judging. One of Larry's proudest moments was winning the Reserve Champion Carcass Lamb at the Chicago International show at age 16. He kept up with the industry by helping run the Oxford show in Louisville, Kentucky for several years; serving on the Board of Directors for the Oxford Association; served as the wether superintendent at the Illinois State fair for several years; and had a 30-year run as Sheep superintendent for the Greene County Fair in Illinois.

Larry enjoyed helping the kids. He advocated for ways to give everyone a

chance to show. He wanted guidelines that didn't make things difficult or deter a good herdsman. He felt that someone laid the groundwork so he could show and wanted his kids and grandkids to be able to show as well. Larry held up his end of an old phrase "someone has to do it" and he did it well.

Larry is survived by his wife, Barb, and his two daughters, De De (Keith) Fricke of Chapin, Illinois, and Darcie (Rob) Reckers of Mahomet, Illinois, and his number one grandson, Mason Fricke. He is also survived by his brothers Brice Derricks, Darwin (Linda) Derricks, and Duane (Judy) Derricks, and sister, Linda (Tom) Paider, and sisters-in-law, Dorothy Derricks and Carol Derricks, all of Wisconsin, and several nieces and nephew. He was preceded in death by his parents, Harry and Anna Arendt Derricks and two brothers, Darrell Derricks and Gale Derricks.

Larry loved spending every spare moment watching his grandson Mason play sports and being his right hand man with Fricke Show Goats. Mason was his pride and joy. Larry also loved auctioneering and consignment sales. Larry never met a stranger.

Family will meet friends from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 10, 2023, at Daws Family Funeral Homes, 508 W. Vandalia Rd., Jacksonville, Illinois. Services will be at the funeral home at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, January 11, 2023, private burial at a later date. Memorials are suggested to Prairieland Heritage Museum or Junior Livestock Department of the Morgan County Fair.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 10. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Daws Family Funeral Home - Jacksonville
508 W. Vandalia
Jacksonville, IL 62650
(217) 243-0444
mackeydawsfuneralhome@yahoo.com

Service

JAN 11. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mackey Daws Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Larry F. Derricks*



Daws Funeral Homes - January 10, 2023 at 12:58 PM

DV

Just came across this, was on vacation this winter, I have known Larry ever since he came to iL, sold him hogs and delt with him at ever job he has had. Can only say good things about him

Denny Vetter - April 05, 2023 at 01:11 AM



“ *Larry F. Derricks*

January 28, 2023 at 11:11 AM



“ *So sorry to read about Larry's passing. Our thoughts and prayers 🙏 are with his Family and Friends.*

Joe and Gloria Lawson - January 17, 2023 at 04:34 PM



“ *Loved Larry when we worked at Sloans. We had a lot of laughs. Gonna miss him. Prayers. Beth Kennedy*

Beth Kennedy - January 09, 2023 at 04:18 PM

RK

“ My deepest sympathies. So thankful for the years he volunteered at the Greene County Livestock Jr. Auction and the discussions over the years with him. The conversations were about goats, sheep, or family, and almost always all three.

Rodney Knittel - January 09, 2023 at 03:04 PM

SR

“ My husband and I were sad to hear of Larry's passing. My husband John has been friends with Larry for many years. John enjoyed stopping into Sloan and Gordon implements and visiting with him. He will miss their long phone conversations over the last few years.

Sharon and John Rhodes - January 09, 2023 at 12:29 PM

RL

“ So sorry to hear this. May your memories give you peace and comfort. I have many memories of days gone past.



Ron and Marilyn Lawless - January 08, 2023 at 09:30 PM

LR

“ Barb, I'm so very sorry to hear about the passing of Larry. I only knew him thru you. Please know you're in my thoughts and prayers as you go through this difficult time.

Lorie Renoud



Lorie Renoud - January 07, 2023 at 06:20 PM

PH

“ *Paul & Sandi Hembrough*



Paul & Sandi Hembrough - January 07, 2023 at 04:06 PM

TI

“ *To the family thoughts an prayers go out to you all Larry was always a pleasure to talk to as long as you wanted to talk god's takin another good one home*

TYLER SIX BLUFFS IL - January 06, 2023 at 10:10 PM

JG

“ *I am sorry to hear of Larry's passing. When think about Larry I think about sheep shows. A very nice man*

Jenny Gibbs - January 06, 2023 at 08:17 PM

DA

“ *Dava lit a candle in memory of Larry Derricks*



Dava - January 06, 2023 at 02:40 PM

JL

“ *So sorry to read about Larry's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of his Family and Friends.*

Joe and Gloria Lawson - January 06, 2023 at 01:48 PM

VK

Very sorry to learn of Larry's passing, I will miss him, he was one of a kind.

Virgil Karnes - January 06, 2023 at 09:23 PM

DC

*My thoughts and prayers to the family.
Debbie Cruitt*

Debbie Cruitt - January 09, 2023 at 03:27 PM