



Dusty Lee Mings

March 24, 1956 - September 23, 2010

Dusty Lee Mings of Vancouver, WA, passed away on Sept. 23, 2010. He was born March 24, 1956 in Livermore, CA to Melvin Marion Mings and Yvonne Bernice (Chase) Mings. Dusty joined the Navy at the age of seventeen, served a four-year hitch and was honorably discharged on Nov. 23, 1977. He earned his GED at Clark College while working as a custodian there. After which he worked in the roofing trade until he went to Western Pacific Truck School and decided on truck driving as a career. He was a truck driver for Western Boxed Meats in Oregon. Dusty married Patricia Lee Hart on March 21, 1998, gaining not only the woman he loved, but a ready-made family as well. A position that suited him and for which he was well suited. Dusty enjoyed fishing, hunting, golfing, barbecuing, and spending quality time with the grandchildren. He also loved lavishing attention on the "problem child", their dog Gandolph. Dusty is survived by his wife; mother; sisters, Kelly Amarol, Michelle Wolf; children, Christopher Mark Hart, Ronni Lee Denton; grandchildren, Tyler Sizemore, Ayden Hart, Kaylin Hart, Zachary Hart, Madeline Dietz, and Colin Dietz. Dusty was preceded in death by his father; and brother, Mark Mings. A celebration of Dusty's life will be held Thurs., Sept. 30, 2010, 3:00 p.m. at Evergreen Memorial Gardens.

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Evergreen Memorial Gardens - July 03, 2025 at 09:45 PM

TB

“ so you are sitting at home after work and you type an old friends name into google. and the first hit is an obituary.so you click on it and sure enough..... the best man who stood next to you at your wedding was killed in an accident. I can barely type this through the tears. I am grateful to learn that he was well loved and respected. I will forever regret losing touch with Dusty. I always kept saying one of these days..... My email is tbeauch@comcast.net if anyone wants to talk. I have some pictures of Dusty and MANY stories.
Tony Beauchamp

Tony Beauchamp - October 15, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ my heart goes out to patti and all the family,what a great guy dusty was,he was the best driver i have ever dealt with , he also had a great personality and one heck of a sense of humor laughed alot with him will miss him alot,newport market will miss you dusty.

Jay Klapperich - September 30, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ I miss visiting with Dusty at O dark thirty at oregon beef comp. in Madras OR every thursday morning rain or shine

Chip.Davis - September 30, 2010 at 12:00 AM

GP

“ I knew Dusty from my years at WBX and liked him very much. I used to deliver to central Or. for another company and would send greetings back and forth to old friends via Dusty. It was also a treat to drive his truck on his days off because it was always clean and in good shape, which says a lot about the man. He will be greatly missed by all. God bless and keep all his family and many friends.
George

George Preston - September 30, 2010 at 12:00 AM

GS

“ Please accept our condolences for your loss. Our hearts and prayers go out to you. Gary and Nancy Simpson

Gary Simpson - September 30, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BR

“ Great man who will be missed by everyone.

Brian Ringerling - September 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RO

“ Hi. I'm Roxie the meat wrapper at Oregon Beef. I have known Dusty for years and he was always a friend to me. I thought a lot of him and his kindness to me. We will all miss him. Roxie

Roxie Otter - September 28, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ Dusty always called me Jimmy. I would meet Dusty every Monday, Tuesday and Thursday morning at 3:30 am. I miss him very much. I'm so sorry for your (our) loss. Jimmy

James Wyzard - September 28, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TJ

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Dusty was a great person and friend. He was so conscientious about everyones needs. His smile and genuine "Good Morning" will be deeply missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Tommy Jones

Tommy Jones - September 28, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RE

“ i have know my papa since i was 16 ... he and my mom were each others rocks to lean on, he meant the world to alot of people ... i am praying that everyone take a look at the people that matter the most because one day they might not be there the next.. i loved him he was my DAD i am very thankful he met my mom back then they were meant 4 one another... mom your the best thing that papa could ever ask 4 i am here 4 you always Love your daughter Ronni leesherege special

Ronni Emery - September 27, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ I am very sorry for your loss.MY FAULT for thinking It was me.STUPID HERE! Once again,.....prayers go out to you,...for your loss.....Dust.

Dusty Fuller - September 27, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MC

“Dusty Mings was a very kind and soft soul and I am so grateful that my dearest friend Patty and he found each other. They were so good together and Dusty was such a calming influence in her life. I remember the four of us going to mount St. Helens and then taking the long way back to Vancouver. It was such a beautiful day where my friend and I shared our lives with our husbands and I cherish that day. Love you lots my dear friend and I am with you today and every day. Love Mary

Mary Crouch - September 27, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KY

“I worked with Dusty at WBX. I haven't seen him for a couple years. I really like our visit when I worked there. He was such a nice guy and he would take a little time out of his busy schedule to talk with me. I loved our little talks. He was such a good guy. I will miss you my friend. But guess what? I will see you on the other side. So take care until then. R. I. P. Love you, Kim Young

Kim Young - September 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DF

“EXCUSE ME!, I am gratefully sorry,...but I am not,....DEAD! I still remember the WBX days,....and am humbled and remember. Thank all for those days,....as they were trying,....for us all. I am on myspace/or facebook,....if you to see my on-going life. Or,.....drop me a line at dustman41@netzero.com. Put in,...."Friend",....and I will reply,.....Thanks,.....Dust.

Dusty Fuller - September 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JP

“Dusty was one of the hardest working drivers at WBX. My friend Ray would refer to dusty as "the snow man" because he was one of the few that always ended up in the snow. He will be sorely missed. See you on the other side Dusty

JEffrey L Potter - September 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MT

“I have known dusty since 1975. He was one of my best friends and fishing buddies. Jeff potter posted a picture of dusty that I took a few weeks ago on his facebook page, and that is the way I want to remember dusty...holding on to that salmon in my boat. he was tickled to have caught a fish that day. He has left a void in my soul, and I will miss him dearly. rest in peace my good friend.

Mike thomas - September 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JY

“My condolences to his family. We worked together at WBX. You were close with my mom, Kim. You will be missed brother.

Jason young - September 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM

VL

“Im so sorry for what happened to Dusty. I deliver bread in Prineville and I would see him around we would talk alot. He was a great guy. Sorry for your loss he will definately be missed. Vern

vern lackey - September 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JY

“will be missed!

Jason Young - September 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ no words can express my sorrow,dusty you will be truely be missed.....god bless.

jeff miller - September 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RC

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AM

“ I've known Dusty my entire life. He was my "best bud" and like a second dad to me growing up. We had many great times throughout the years camping, skiing, and wearing our neon colored MC Hammer-like pants that we thought were so cool. I am thankful to have shared a dance with him at my wedding last year and will miss him very much. I love you Dusty.

Alicia Moore - September 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

AU

“ I met Dusty at Western Boxed Meat, we became good friends, I enjoyed talking to him. We shared alot of silly things, and laughed alot together. He was a kind man, he told me once ,I'm a good person, a good mom and one of the few he could trust. He was a sweet man for caring about my dogs as I did for him by exchanging toys and treats, his dog will miss him very much! And on my birthday, I remember he was very kind and thoughtful....it is hard for me to believe he's gone.....Dusty was a good man, a good friend, and I'm glad I had got to be his friend....I'll miss you Dusty!

autumn - September 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ I am glad to have met you and known you! My heart and condolences got out to your family. R.I.P. my friend.

Juan Rodriguez - September 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ Dusty was my best friend. I've known him for 34 yrs. I will miss him very much. He used to live with me and we worked and partied together. He use to be really shy about dancing in front of people until he met me, and I would drag his butt out there to dance and I created a monster, we couldn't keep that boy off the dance floor. I loved him and he didn't deserve to die like this. He was a good person and loved his wife very much, family and his friends. I have so many memories I could share but not enough room to write them all. I miss you Dusty and wish you were here playing yahtzee with me right now. I will miss all the good things we did together. I love you

Cheryl Schrom - September 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ *Dusty always had a smile on his face. We would always harass each other whenever are paths crossed at WBX. It always was in jest. I will miss him alot.My condolences to his wife and family.He was a terrific man.*

Dorian Martin - September 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM