



## Larry Arthur Woolery

October 7, 1944 - August 1, 2019

Larry Arthur Woolery, age 74 of Thayer, KS, passed away on Thursday, August 1, 2019 in Wichita, KS. He was born on October 7, 1944 on the family farm in Thayer, KS, the son of Delmer and Ethel (Crowl) Woolery.

Larry married Joy Hoggatt, the love of his life, on February 24, 1963 in Neodesha, KS. Larry was born and grew up on the homestead farm and realized from a very young age that farming and dirt work was in his blood. He began pulling draft horses at the age of 13 continuing the family tradition. During this time, the Woolery family traveled pulling horses and living out of the trailer while putting on horsepulls throughout the state of Colorado. Fellow horsepullers that began as friends also became family and Larry passed on his love of horsepulling to his son, Justin who continues the family tradition.

Larry enjoyed watching the Royals and the Chiefs but most of all loved watching his grandkids compete in sports and FFA. He spent his entire life in Thayer and he loved his community dearly and they will miss him and his hugs. He always had a smile on his face and enjoyed being the one that would greet people at church. He loved his family especially his grandchildren and great grandchildren. Larry was a man that always put God and his family first. He will be greatly missed.

Larry is survived by:

Wife:

Joy Woolery, of the home

Children:

Dawn Robinson and husband Fred of Galesburg, KS

Tonya Smedley and husband David of Thayer, KS

Justin Woolery and wife Tonya of Thayer, KS

Sister:

Lois Raida of Thayer, KS

Grandchildren:

Brianne O'Brien, Tyler Robinson, Trey Smedley, Grant Robinson, Hunter Robinson, Trace Woolery, Keith Kane

Great Grandchildren:

Brooklyn Robinson, Regan Robinson, Zadie O'Brien, Bryor Robinson

Larry was preceded in death by his parents and sister, Velma John.

The family will greet friends on Monday, August 5, 2019 from 6-8 p.m. at Thayer Christian Church in Thayer, KS. Funeral service will be on Tuesday, August 6, 2019 at 10 a.m. at the church. Burial will follow at Thayer Cemetery in Thayer, KS. Online condolences may be left at: [www.countrysidefh.com](http://www.countrysidefh.com). The family suggests memorials to be made to Thayer Christian Church and may be mailed to the funeral home. Arrangements have been entrusted to Countryside Funeral Home, 101 N. Highland, Chanute, KS 66720.

# Cemetery Details

## Thayer Cemetery

Thayer, KS 66776

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 5. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Thayer Christian Church  
8495 Dorn Rd  
Thayer, KS 66776

## Service

AUG 6. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Thayer, KS 66776

# Tribute Wall

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“ I so regret that Alice and I were not able to attend Larry's memorial service. Our Brian and his wife Julie and grandsons Noah and Justin :) have been visiting from their ministry assignment in Okinawa, Japan. I have such great memories of visiting my dad, Glenn Woolery's, homeplace and all of the Woolery's in Thayer/Chanute area when I was a kid growing up. I especially remember riding horses with Larry and just being on the farm. The horse-pulling tradition was so fun to watch when Delmar and Ethyl, Larry and Joy came to the Harvey County Fair in Newton. It's really great to read the impact Larry and Joy have had in the Thayer community, involvement in the church and Larry's impact on so many people. Alice and I extend our prayers to Joy, all the children and grandchildren as you adjust to this significant loss!  
Lee (Leland) and Alice Woolery

Lee Woolery - August 06, 2019 at 04:10 PM

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“ I don't know of another family that loved their community more than Larry and Joy. Thayer, Ks was always well represented with their horse pulling reputation. He will be missed!

Bernita Olinger - August 05, 2019 at 04:50 PM

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“ Terry Jasper lit a candle in memory of Larry Arthur Woolery



Terry Jasper - August 04, 2019 at 08:41 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Larry Arthur Woolery.*



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August 03, 2019 at 10:31 PM



“ *Larry was always easy to talk too and made it an enjoyable time. I will miss those times greatly.*

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**John Jacquinot** - August 03, 2019 at 09:30 PM



“ *Larry was a kind sweet man that will be missed in our community and church so much. He was a great example in his faith, he had a great sence of humor and made things so fun, he would lend a hand to those in need, and a kind voice, onery smile and was a big tease. We loved him so and will miss him terribly. Our love and prayers are with you Joy and family. Bill and Linda Hughes*

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**Bill and Linda Hughes** - August 03, 2019 at 08:09 PM



“ *Troy and Katherine Penning and Lorraine Taylor purchased the Pretty Please for the family of Larry Arthur Woolery.*



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**Troy and Katherine Penning and Lorraine Taylor** - August 03, 2019 at 04:17 PM

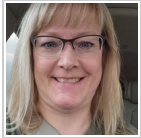


“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Larry Arthur Woolery.*



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August 03, 2019 at 03:07 PM



“ *Larry was like a second father to me! He would always greet me with a smile and a big hug and say "Hey daughter". He will be missed dearly.*

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**Darla Holtzman-Rosevelt** - August 02, 2019 at 09:28 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Larry Arthur Woolery.*



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August 02, 2019 at 09:18 PM