



## Floyd Merrifield Jr.

October 21, 1927 - February 14, 2021

Floyd Merrifield Jr., 93, of Claverack, went to Heaven on Sunday February 14, 2021. He was the first born son, on October 21, 1927 to Mary (Martino) and Floyd Merrifield Sr. Floyd was born in the house right next door to the homes he resided in his entire life.

Floyd was a hard worker. He worked with his father and his brother on the family fruit orchards. He worked the farm from 5 years old until he was 80. He loved fishing, hunting, driving his tractor, and everything involving nature. He was a lifetime member of St. Thomas Lutheran Church in Churchtown, where he held the position of Financial Secretary for over 60 years. Floyd also served as President of Claverack Cooperative Insurance for many years. Floyd will be remembered as a devoted family man, kind friend and neighbor, and a God loving Christian.

He is survived by his loving and understanding wife of 69 years, Florence (Orsted) Merrifield, his daughter Sharon Johnson, granddaughter Rachel (Kyle) Hoffman, and great granddaughter Charlotte Hoffman. Floyd is also survived by his sisters Mary Jane Rothstein and Carol Ann Giordano, along with several nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, Floyd is predeceased by his son Chester Floyd Merrifield and his brother Walter Merrifield.

Funeral services will be private. Please leave online condolences at [batesanderson.com](http://batesanderson.com).



# Tribute Wall

BV

“ Our condolences go out to Florence and her family Floyd was a really great guy and a good neighbor he will be sadly missed God bless and rest in peace

bill vavrina - February 25, 2021 at 10:00 AM

KD

“ Floyd is missed, a wonderful man. Please accept my sympathies for the whole family. I keep you and he in my prayers. Kirk Dixon

Kirk R. Dixon - February 21, 2021 at 09:55 AM

FM

“ My condolences to the family, may his memory be a blessing.  
Frank J. Mendelson

Frank J Mendelson - February 21, 2021 at 09:52 AM

PK

“ Paul And Frances Koch lit a candle in memory of Floyd Merrifield Jr.



Paul and Frances Koch - February 19, 2021 at 07:55 PM

HH

“ Dear Mrs. Merrifield, I am so sorry for your loss....Floyd was the best!! He would always make me laugh when he came to the garage.... Floyd was one of a kind, always at the barn selling your delicious pies and beets.... I am sure he's looking down upon you (his sweetheart)..... R.I.P. Floyd..... Harmon & Robin Hoysradt

Harmon Hoysradt - February 19, 2021 at 06:46 PM

HH

“ Harmon Hoysradt lit a candle in memory of Floyd Merrifield Jr.



Harmon Hoysradt - February 19, 2021 at 06:34 PM

BD

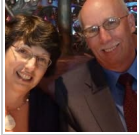
“ My sympathy to Floyd's family on his passing. He led a humble, Christian hard working life.  
Barbara DeLamater

Barbara DeLamater - February 19, 2021 at 06:18 PM

PM

“ Sorry to hear that your dad passed away. Thinking about you and your family. Prayers sent. Keep the faith. Pat Miller.

pat miller - February 19, 2021 at 10:04 AM



“ *Floyd was a wonderful man. I remember how much he enjoyed visiting with family & friends during the parties at the barn. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him. Our hearts are with his family during this difficult time.*

*Steve & Ginny*



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**Ginny Hanby** - February 19, 2021 at 09:39 AM

KD

“ *Kirk Dixon lit a candle in memory of Floyd Merrifield Jr.*



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**Kirk Dixon** - February 18, 2021 at 11:47 PM

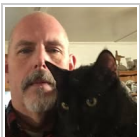
JH

“ *The first time Dick and I met you , we knew Kyle was marrying into a special family! Meeting you and Florence was like a breath of fresh air .We will cherish our special times together Rest in peace Floyd we will miss you!*

*Dick & joann*

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**joann hoffman** - February 18, 2021 at 10:03 PM



“ *Floyd was so proud of his wonderful whimsical collections and displays at the barn. Sending love and prayers to Florence and the whole family. He will be deeply missed. Steve Gubler*

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**Steve Gubler** - February 18, 2021 at 07:24 PM

ML

“ Thinking of Floyd is thinking of a genuine kind and hard working man who also happened to be a great barn party host. We are blessed to have such great memories of good times spent with Floyd.



Mary Lou Longley - February 18, 2021 at 07:08 PM

AR

“ Rest in Peace. Our family has known the Merrifield family since the early 1970's. Floyd was definitely a great family man and will be sorely missed by all who were blessed to have known him.

Art Roraback - February 18, 2021 at 05:29 PM

AM

“ I remember Floyd sitting at the apple barn in the fall, making puzzles , visiting with customers and answering apple questions. He and Florence always worked hard, but made time for family, friends and community. Truly a country gentleman. Our condolences to all the family.  
Audrey (Zapp) and Peter Meicht

Audrey Meicht - February 18, 2021 at 05:05 PM

MD

“ I'm one of the youngest Crapser girls. My memories include stopping in for apples and saying hello and my mom and dad (Eldred and Edna Crapser) had such fondness and respect for both Floyd and Florence. Prayers for Florence and family. May Floyd Rest In Peace. Melinda (Crapser) Dodds.

Melinda Dodds - February 18, 2021 at 04:52 PM

JH

“ *The first time Dick and I met Floyd we knew Kyle was marrying into a special family! Meeting you and Florence was like a breath of fresh air. We will always cherish our special times we together! Peace be with you Floyd!*

*Fondlly,  
Dick & Joann*

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**joann hoffman** - February 18, 2021 at 04:26 PM

TC

“ *Rest In Peace, Floyd. I always enjoyed seeing you all those Sundays I was organist at St Thomas' and the coffee hours after the service. Howie (Morehouse) and Lucy Merrifield were fond of you and asked about you every time I saw them. My condolences to Florence and the family.*

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**Tony Caggianelli** - February 17, 2021 at 06:12 PM

AH

“ *Dearest Florence & Family,  
Floyd was an extremely kind and understanding gentleman of the highest order.  
Love & prayers,  
Alayne & Neil Howard*

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**Alayne & Neil Howard** - February 17, 2021 at 02:09 PM

LB

“ *Sending thoughts and prayers to the Merrifield family. Floyd will be greatly missed.*



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**Lynn Brandt** - February 17, 2021 at 04:04 AM

MA

“ *Marcia lit a candle in memory of Floyd Merrifield Jr.*



Marcia - February 16, 2021 at 09:26 PM

JR

*We learned of Floyd's death as we drove by the fire house. Our sympathy to his family. We used to ove coming by the barn and having a bit of conversation. Jerry and Joan roberts*

jerry and joan roberts - February 26, 2021 at 08:58 PM

EM

*My heartfelt sympathy to Florence and family for the loss of this fine God and church-loving man. His joys were his family, his friends and his orchard. How well I recall those trips to purchase those crisp apples, beginning when I was a "teen-ager"and, in later years, to add Florence's delicious apple pies & other preserved specialties to the order. Plus Floyd always had time to visit. May his memory be a blessing to all*

Elsie L. Martineau - February 27, 2021 at 04:03 PM

PJ

*Floyd's humor was anticipated as much as the wonderful produce, fruit and Florence's pickles and jams. Together they made an important part of our summer and fall, except for 2020 when the closed doors contributed to the overall sense of sadness and loss we all experienced. His commitment to the land and agriculture should inspire us all to protect our productive land and appreciate the dedication and risks of farming. We share in the family's sorrow yet are strengthened by the memories of many visits, conversations, and laughter.  
Peter Johnson & Tom Paino [Philmont]*

peter johnson - February 27, 2021 at 08:16 PM