

## MEMORIES OF CARLYLE STIRLING

by Geraldine Stirling

Most honest person I know. Most fair person I know. Sense of Humor  
Great joker and great story teller, always had a story for everything.  
Always paid debts. Always paid more than he owed or needed to.  
It could be said that he loved his enemies, he was good to everyone, even those who did not especially like him. He went out of his way to make people feel good.  
Helped so many students to change their lives.  
Helped so many people in church to change their lives. Treated everyone with equality.

Woke me up early each morning to tell me he loved me. Made my day, made my life, kept me going through hard times. Always willing to help.

Sold cattle, pushed out peach orchard so he could devote entire time and attention to being Stake President, fulfilling it to the best of his ability.

Strong testimony, loved the temple. Loved to go to conference.  
Devoted to family. Devoted to making a living for his family. Devoted to wife.  
Drove home every week end while attending school at U of U to see wife and family.  
Always faithful to wife.

Hardest worker. Never slacked off. At one time had three full time jobs, School Teacher, Stake President, Farmer.

Very particular, never did anything in shoddy manner. Everything with exactness and precision and perfection, this included his church callings. He went by the book, did things as they were set up to be, did them the right way.

Stickler for time. Always wanted things started on time and stopped on time.

Hardest worker, up very, very early every morning, liked to retire fairly early.

Loved horses. Great horseman. Many happy times horse back riding, took many trips with sons & daughters, Grandchildren, even wife, on Pine Valley Mountain. That used to be a yearly event.

Great deer hunter. Loved hunting. Yearly event to go deer hunting with his sons and son-in-law, also took Colleen and got two deer on his own mountain.

Had quite a temper, when got provoked. Very impatient, wanted things done right now.

Had a great memory. Remembered stories, always remembered History, loved history.

People came to him to learn about the history of Leeds. He could remember everything. Had a great knowledge of the Leeds Water Co.

School: Had two quarters college when got married. Went back to school when age 30 and had 5 children, to get an education to better support for his family, as farming was not too profitable for making a living.

Gathered in two widow neighbor's garbage cans every week, as they were unable to do so, always a good neighbor, taking fruits & vegetables to them, and doing what he could for them.

Proud of ancestors, loved to tell pioneer stories of his ancestors. Always proud of relatives.

Told me he loved me more than anything in the world.

His advice was sought by all who knew him. He was a loving Bishop and Stake President, loved by all. People sought his advice long after he was out of both offices.