

**JOAN MONEY HUNTINGTON**  
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**BY DIXIE THOMPSON**

When we were married we lived here in Orangeville in the basement house of Preston and Birdie Huntington's home for about a year. Our oldest son David was born down here, then we moved up North to American Fork where our second son was born ?. LeRay worked at Geneva Steel for about a year and then Clan Stilson and LeRay built a service station the Star Service Station in Springville and when that fell through he was offered the Ford Tractor and Implementation business and the house in Orangeville from Arvin Scow and that is what he really wanted to do. The Scow's retired and moved to Arizona. Well, I didn't want to move down here and my negative attitude persisted for about 10 years until a sweet neighbor Celia Reid who I greatly loved told me to change my attitude and be more positive and meet the people here halfway and you will be a lot happier. So I took her advise and started being more positive and I grew to love Orangeville.

When we bought the business we also bought this little adobe house on the corner of where the business was located so this has been our home for all these years. We did lots of remodeling to make it our home and my goal was to get out of debt as soon as we could. LeRay worked really hard and we had a lot of business because it was a well respected and had many customers when we bought it. He also worked on his Dad's dairy farm for a short while milking cows morning and night until he sold the cows and consecrated full time taking care of the tractor business. The farmers really loved Ray and trusted his work. Many times he would rebuilt a part that they needed without having to purchase a new one saving them quite a bit of money. At times they would bring in their tractors but other times Ray would go out to their farms and fix it there. I was quite concerned when he would repair a binder for he would get all the way in the machine which was very dangerous.

Many of our customers would charge the repairs and I kept the books and would send out statements to collect the money. Ray was very good to work with the farmers he was very kind hearted. A few never did pay but we just chalked that up to doing business. When we went on our missions our sons would take over the business but they didn't want to have anything to do with collecting the money from those who charged their repairs so they required the money be paid up front while we were gone serving the Lord. We did very well and I trusted most of them to pay on a timely basis. Some of our customers who were not active in Church were very honest and kept up on their payments. One you could just trust with a handshake and that was all that we needed with Ray. Ray never did hold grudges with anyone he was so kind hearted.

The business did so well we were completely out of debt within 10 years after buying the house and the business. We did so well we built a cabin up in Joe's Valley and the family loved being up there and my son Paul and his family really love it and spend a lot of time up there. My daughter moved to Wyoming and my other children don't utilize it now.

When we went on our missions the first was a proselyting mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints which was my favorite to Williams, Arizona for two years. We traveled all over the State and loved being there even though it was very hot in the Summer. After a year of being home we went to Nauvoo Illinois for two years. Ray repaired the tractors and large lawn mowers, doing all of the mechanic work for that service mission for the Church we loved serving on those two missions I would work at the different sites and then on Sundays we would work together. Ray did not retire from the business but the boys took over and ran the business for us. He worked until he got dementia when he was in his early 80's.

Farmers in the area started retiring and selling their land off to others so there was less of a demand for Ray's services. But even till this day I get calls wanting to know about the tractor business, I would tell them we are closed if you need anything you will need to call by boys for help. I haven't gone over to the shop for a very long time it's hard on me.

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