



Walter Richard Devine

February 25, 1936 - September 24, 2011

Funeral services for Bill Devine, 75, will be held Thursday, September 29th at 1:00 p.m. at Hillside Chapel in Oregon City, Oregon. He passed away at home Saturday surrounded by his loving family.

He was born in Olympia Washington on February 25, 1936 to Walter and Gladys Devine. As a youth, he was involved in Boy Scouts and later joined the Army during the Korean War. He was stationed in Alaska and worked for the Alaska Communication System. He married Christine Husk on May 2, 1959 and they made their home in Olympia. He went to instrument school at Tacoma Vocational School where he completed his training. He found his first instrument job in Drayton, North Dakota where he helped American Crystal Sugar Company open a new sugar beet mill. After one and a half years he wanted to move back home so he got a job at the Simpson Lee Paper Company in Everett Washington. When the mill prepared to close 5 five years later he moved his family to Canby, Oregon and got hired at Publishers Paper Company in Oregon City, which was later bought out by Smurfitt Newsprint. He retired after 23 years of service at the mill.

Bill enjoyed people. He never knew a stranger. He loved to camp, hunt, fish, and travel, especially enjoying their two long trips to Alaska. He loved and was very proud of his family. After retiring, cribbage became his passion. He belonged to the American Cribbage Congress, and the local cribbage club. "The Canby Die Hards". He enjoyed weekly games and many tournaments. Over the years, he taught many, many people to play the game. He was a member of the Elks, American Legion, And the North Marion Community Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and his sister Betty Everson. He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Christine, and children Cindy and Bill Grier, Sandy and Tom Morris, Julie and Fred Quintero. Grandchildren; Marcos and wife Amy Quintero, Danielle and husband Jake Corey, Billie Jo and Husband Casey Courtright, Hannabele Morris, Emily Morris and Lex Grier, and Great-Grandson Xander Corey. Sister and brother-in-law Bonnie and Larry Mayes, brother and sister-in-law Tom and Penny Devine, brother-in-law Cliff Everson, many nieces and nephews, and dear friends including those from serenity hospice.

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Tribute Wall



“ *Walter Richard Devine*

January 28, 2023 at 02:51 PM



“ *What about the English invent football championship?*

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“ *Chris and Family,*

We will all miss Bill. We enjoyed your visits over the years and remember when you came to Quilcene to Mag and Noah's when the girls were small. We also know that we will see Bill again on the other side as we all know and serve the same Jesus. John 5:24.

Love You,

Lorna & Family

Don and Lorna - September 29, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ Chris & Family,

I will miss Bill as he was one of the sweetest, loving people I've known. He always had a heart for our little ones and enjoyed being around them.

All my Love & Prayers,

Marge

Marge - September 29, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ *My condolences to the family. I pray you find comfort in knowing that even though we may lose our loved ones in death, God will bring to life all those found in his memory. (Job 14:15, John 5:28,29 Acts 24:15) Yes, we have the hope of seeing our loved ones again, and the life to be enjoyed when this takes place will be truly wonderful. (Revelation 21:3,4)*

Ty - September 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM