



## Charles A( Bud ) Cornell

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CHARLES A. (BUD) CORNELL, CPA

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Charles (Bud) Cornell passed away on Saturday July 9th at the age of 101; he was born to Perrin P and Dorthy B (Thomas) Cornell on November 26, 1909 in Welty Oklahoma. In 1910 the family moved to Creek in Okfuskee, Oklahoma and in the fall of 1918 they arrived in Wenatchee after living briefly in Montana and Spokane. The first winter in 1918 the family lived in a tent. Bud was a long-time resident of Wenatchee and a businessman in the community.

Bud attended schools in Wenatchee and played some football and some track. However, his senior year he moved to Iowa and graduated from Center Point High School in Center Point, Iowa in 1928. Following graduation he returned to Wenatchee. He also lived for a short time in Seattle and attended the University of Washington. Working in his father's accounting office he prepared his first tax return for clients in 1925. Later he worked for Inland Market and Seattle Power and Light.

On April 23, 1938 he married Mary McGuire and they made their home in Wenatchee. Due to eye trouble he was discharged from the Washington

National Guard in December 1940. During the war years he continued to work as an accountant and did audits for Wenatchee Petroleum where he met and was befriended by Harry McNeil who later became a partner in several ventures.

In 1947 he formed a partnership with Pete Hopkins and opened the Cornell and Hopkins Studebaker Agency. In 1953 he obtained his real estate license and in 1954, after self study, he successfully passed the examination to become a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) a profession he followed for 57 years. He formed various partnerships for the practice of accounting and in 2001 due to failing eyesight he retired from practice. Over the course of his career as a CPA, he was closely involved with Julius and Royal Weinstein and Herb Claussen in various business ventures.

He was a past president of the Washington State Automobile Dealers Association, a director for the Washington State Society of Certified Public Accountants, and was also a past member of Elks, Wenatchee Golf and Country Club and Knights of Columbus. In 2007 he retired from SCORE as the oldest active member in the nation.

He was preceded in Death by his wife, Mary; two sisters, Eva Floyd and Helen Watson; and a brother Harold. He is survived by a brother, Richard (Dick); a daughter LTC Judy Cornell (Ret); a son, Perrin; a daughter-in-law, Dianne; and a grand daughter, Sara Cornell.

The family would like to express appreciation to the ownership and staff at the Souve Family home for the care and concern they have shown Bud these last few months, as well as the staffs at Central Washington Hospital, Colonial Vista and Columbia Heights.

Please express your thoughts and memories on the online guestbook at

[jonesjonesbetts.com](http://jonesjonesbetts.com). Jones and Jones/Betts will be responsible for arrangements. A public viewing is scheduled for Tuesday July 19, 2011 from 4-6PM at the funeral home chapel. Following the viewing there will be a vigil and brief memorial service from 6-7PM. Contributions in memory of Charles may be made to Knights of Columbus, the Wenatchee Humane Society or the charity of your choice.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 19. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (PT)

Jones & Jones ~ Betts Funeral Home  
302 9thStreet  
Wenatchee, WA 98801  
(509) 662-1561  
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## Service

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *i took care of him at columbia hieghts and he was so precious. always singing and he had a personality to boot...what a dear old man.....bless his soul....Devin*

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**Devin Pearl** - October 12, 2011 at 11:44 PM

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“ *To the Family,*

*I knew Bud when I worked at Blanksma Chiropractic Clinic. Whenever he came in he was a delight to talk to and an inspiration because he seemed to have lots of things that he was doing. He was still working with SCORE and I was amazed that he still wanted to. What a blessing he was to me. I've thought of him often since I moved; he was a very sweet man. You were blessed to have him as dad and grandfather.*

*Sincerely,*

*Jan Buchert  
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**Jan Buchert** - July 25, 2011 at 06:06 PM