



## Frank R. Hulse

October 12, 1936 - May 9, 2023

Frank Hulse, 86, passed away on Tuesday, May 9, 2023, in Wenatchee, WA. He was born on October 12, 1936, in Binghamton, NY, to Weston & Jessie Hulse and was the youngest of six children.

He graduated from Binghamton Central High School in 1955 and joined the Air Force in 1956. He was stationed at bases in CO, WA & OR and developed a love of the West, particularly the Pacific Northwest. He was discharged from Kingsley Field in Klamath Falls, OR, in 1960, returned to Binghamton, NY, and began working for Burroughs Corp as a Field Engineer. It was there where he met Nancy Proper. They became friends & rally partners and were married on June 6, 1964. Frank continued with Burroughs (later Unisys Corp) until 1990. He then worked for Wilber Bank in Oneonta, NY (1991-94) and the Delaware County Treasurer's office in Delhi, NY (1994-1997).

After returning home from the service, one of Frank's first purchases was a red Triumph TR3 sports car and he soon began participating in sports car rallies with the SCCA & STAR clubs. He was an excellent driver and was known as the person to beat – especially after Nancy joined him as navigator. He played golf from the time he was a teenager until, at age 82, he decided his game had slipped too much to be enjoyable. In the 80's, he thought that sailing would be a good family activity and most summer weekends were spent at the Otsego Sailing Club. There were also many memorable cruises

on Lake Champlain and from Newport, RI, to Martha's Vineyard, MA. He & Nancy square danced from 1965 to 2016 when his failing memory prevented him from participating. He refined his woodworking skills in his retirement years - his last projects being desks for both his beloved grandchildren. He liked train travel & the family made several cross-country trips by train. He also enjoyed seeing the US by vehicle; one of his favorite road trips with Nancy was a six-week "lap of America" in a small motor home. No matter where he lived, he was the neighborhood handyman – always willing to help others.

Being the Lamaze coach at David's birth in 1969 was important to Frank. It was a bit unusual at the time for fathers to be in the delivery room but he was there. As Dave grew up, Frank felt he should know how to do practical things so it wasn't long before Dave was included in home & car maintenance & any other project that came along. Dave became his assistant, workbench organizer and eventually graduated to giving input as they worked together. In addition to the work, they had some great road trips & sailing trips together. Frank was very proud of his son's accomplishments and in later life often said "even if nothing else in my life was of consequence, Dave turned out well".

Frank was extraordinarily supportive of Nancy's endeavors – especially her return to college in 1972. Without his love & backing, that wouldn't have been possible.

He was easy-going & optimistic by nature, kind and gentle. A friend to all animals, he spent many hours volunteering at the Humane Society, concentrating on socializing cats. He loved jokes, especially the "play on words" type. His mother said that although she might have some worries about Frank, she never worried about him having a good time!

Frank was preceded in death by his parents; sisters Dorothy, Mary, Carolyn,

and brother Weston. He is survived by his wife; son David (Wendy); grandchildren Timothy and Emily; sister Charlotte; and sixteen nieces and nephews who remember him with great fondness.

There will be a celebration of life service on June 17, 2023, at 11 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Wenatchee. Following the service, everyone is invited to lunch at the church. For family & friends at a distance, the service will be live streamed on the church's Facebook page & will be archived there. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to a charity of your choice, the Wenatchee Valley Humane Society or the Alzheimer's Association.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life Service

JUN 17. 11:00 AM (PT)

First United Methodist

941 Washington

Wenatchee, WA 98801

(509) 663-1607

<http://www.firstumchurch.org>

# Tribute Wall

DC

“ I had the honor of working with Frank in many of the facets of his careers: Burroughs, Unisys and Delaware County. During his time we at Delaware County we had the opportunity to grow closer, share experiences, and take daily walks. He was a friend and co-worker who enhanced our days and will be missed. My condolences to his family and the kids they have sustained.

David Cucciarre - May 21, 2023 at 12:26 AM

TM

“ Frank and Nancy were special folks from my childhood in Oneonta, NY. Their kindness and intelligence was adorable. Sending love to your entire family.



Tedi Marsh - May 20, 2023 at 06:42 AM

CS

“ So enjoyed your homemade beer and our times together!!

C Sciarrabba - May 19, 2023 at 01:23 PM

RR

“ So many things to say about Frank and Nancy the years of square dancing together. Going on our square dance Canadian trip for 18 days. The all Frank Square at Moxie one yr. Just sitting around a camp fire enjoying each others company. Rest in Peace my good friend lots of love Nancy and family.

russell Wayne Ratcliff - May 19, 2023 at 10:23 AM

EK

“ My favorite memory was listening to Frank tell me about how he met Nancy and lured her into falling in love with him by driving together in his red sports car during Tim and Emily’s birthday party at the skating rink in 2016. Much love to your family during this season of grieving Frank’s passing.

Erin King-Luce - May 18, 2023 at 07:36 PM

NH

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Nancy Hulse - May 18, 2023 at 07:16 PM

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Nancy Hulse - May 18, 2023 at 03:40 PM

KT

Hugs to you Nancy. You are in our thoughts and prayers  
Mike & Karen

Karen L Turek - May 18, 2023 at 04:49 PM

KI

Hugs and prayers to all family and friends..  
Kitty & Bing

Kitty - May 19, 2023 at 08:14 AM

CS

*I am so sorry ,Nancy. I have you in both heart and thought this morning and am glad you have the comfort of your son and family close by. Caro segina.*

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**Carol Segina** - May 19, 2023 at 09:59 AM

JW

*So sorry to learn of this...j*

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**john r willis** - May 19, 2023 at 10:34 AM

CC

*We express our condolences to you and the family. Fond memories. Ric and Tina Chrislip*

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**christina chrislip** - May 21, 2023 at 04:43 PM

AS

*I socialized cats alongside Frank at the Humane Society and always enjoyed our time together. He was so gentle and patient with the shy ones and could coax out the best behavior. I was always please to see him. My condolences.*

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**Ann Schaechtel** - May 30, 2023 at 12:16 PM

JW

*Nancy and David,  
I am so sorry to hear about Frank.*

*My thoughts are with you.*

*Dee Walsh*

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**Judy Walsh** - June 01, 2023 at 08:19 AM



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**Nancy Hulse** - May 18, 2023 at 03:36 PM