



George Edward Roberts

March 29, 1923 - September 3, 2016

George Edward Roberts, 93, went home to be with the Lord on September 3, 2016. He was born on March 29, 1923 in Lynden, WA. He attended Lynden High School, University of Washington and graduated from Washington State University, later earning his master degree at WSU.

While at WSU, George met his lab partner Dorothy in Chemistry class. They fell in love, married and celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary on August 18, 2016.

George was an agriculture and shop teacher for 32 years. He taught at Meridian High School, Wenatchee High School and Wenatchee Valley College. As an FFA advisor, he enjoyed working with the FFA students at local county fairs, field trips and judging contests. George was also an orchardist. He was very active in his church, Valley Christian Center of Wenatchee. After retiring from teaching, George kept busy within the community. He served on the boards of Community Action and Wenatchee Senior Center and was active with the Link Transit Citizen Advisory Committee.

George is survived by his wife Dorothy and his four children: Bill (Joan) Roberts of Malaga, Jo Ann (Dana) Detjen of East Wenatchee, Beth (Leonard) West of Wenatchee and George Edward (Delana) Roberts Jr. of Aurora, Texas; his 10 grandchildren: Matthew, Jason, Daniel (Kalei), Nathan(Vani), Allison(Robbie), Tyler, Sarah(Joel), George Edward III, John and Caleb; and his 5 great grandchildren: Porter, Tatumn, Audrey Jo, Asher and Prentice. He loved his family and he will be missed by all of us. A family service

honoring his life will be held at a later date. Please express your thoughts and memories on the online guest book at jonesjonesbetts.com. Arrangements are by Jones & Jones – Betts Funeral Home.

Tribute Wall

AZ

“ Dear family, We were sorry to hear of George's passing. George meant a lot to me over the years as teach, advisor, mentor and friend. We will be missed very much.

Sincerely, Al and Leona Zand

Al and Leona Zander - September 29, 2016 at 12:07 PM

ET

“ Dear Dorothy and Family,
Your George was a giant among the faculty at Wenatchee High School. He taught his students more then agriculture. He stressed discipline and doing a job right.

In later years, when I was Mayor, George was a key advisor to the City of Wenatchee. He had so much common sense and we appreciated his wise counsel.

Sincerely,

Earl Tilly

Earl Tilly - September 10, 2016 at 12:52 PM

MC

“ Mike and Kathleen Christensen attended Central Christian Church from 1968-1972; we were youth leaders, Mike was a deacon, Kathleen taught bell choir, we sang in Luella Vaughn's choir and benefited greatly from George, Dorothy and many people of that church. We walked forward to give our lives to God Feb 3, 1969 on Youth Sunday. The Roberts, Christensens, Nesarys, Burkes, Richardsons, DeWitts, and sometimes Pfifers, met every week for prayer and Bible study, listening to teaching tapes and singing out of the "Youth Sings" Praise Book.. This began after Dorothy's sister and her husband visited with exciting testimonies of God working in their everyday lives.

On the way home from taking some youth to Northwest Christian College in Eugene OR, we flipped our VW van upside down on Snoqualimie Pass in an April snowstorm, going uphill at 23 mph. No one was hurt (!), and Lyle West and Gary Vaughn came up and got all of us. Later George and Joe Davis brought Mike back up to the pass to tow the bus home. The church made a "fix the bus" offering to us that allowed us to pay \$19 to replace the top of the van. At Christmas time, a knock on our door revealed George with boxes of food for this family of five with no extra money.

What helps the Roberts were to this young family that wanted to serve God! We have kept the course through all the bumps of life, and are now doing a weekly Bible Study in Word and Song at Apple Springs Assisted Living in Omak as well as ministering in our local church, New Life Centre Church, Okanogan.

So sorry that Wenatchee is so far away to keep up on those wonderful friendships we had so long ago. Mike (73) and Kathleen (70)



Mike & Kathleen Christensen - September 09, 2016 at 07:21 PM

MH

“ George taught me how to weld back in 1969 or so. Common sense teacher, safety always first and an excellent guy to know in high school. Good comments from him in the paper occasionally, I had great respect for him.

Mike Hughes - September 09, 2016 at 01:44 PM

CA

“ My heart goes out to George's wife, Dorothy, daughter Beth and the rest of the family. I had the pleasure of meeting George while attending church. He was definitely one of the most Godly and kind men I have ever met. He, Dorothy and daughter, Beth and her husband Leonard and son, Tyler, were (are) some of the most compassionate people you would ever want to know. I could always count on a big smile and hello from George when I walked in the church and a few bible studies at their house with Dorothy - his Godly wife. He and his family have been great friends to my son, Jovan, and I. It is hard to lose a loved one but I have no doubt that he is in pure joy with his Heavenly Father and those who have gone before. God Bless the family.

Connie Adams

Connie Adams - September 09, 2016 at 12:13 PM

BB

I had the opportunity to work with George at Wenatchee High School. I always found George not only to be a very good teacher but also always a gentleman. He also had a great sense of humor. It was an honor to know and work with him. My prayers go to the family.

Bob Bradford

Bob Bradford - September 09, 2016 at 06:17 PM

PH

Mr. Roberts was a great teacher and I still use some of the hands-on skills he taught me to this day. He was good man. He was the first person to tell me that JFK was shot in Dallas, TX. I am friend of his son Bill, who is another good man. I have not seen George in many years, but I reflect on him and the life skills he instill on me often.

Pat Humphries Chattaroy, WA

Pat Humphries - September 09, 2016 at 09:54 PM



Mr. Roberts was a great teacher. I learned so much from him under his direction in welding class. I have used that knowledge and benefited from it many times since graduating 37 years ago. He could be firm but was always fair, Always would make you think to resolve a problem. plus he could always give you a smile and a pat on the back. A fine example of a man, a teacher and a Christian. I always enjoyed reading his comments in the paper and will cherish what I learned from him. I look forward to meeting him again someday.

Dave Derting -WHS class of 1979

Dave Derting - September 10, 2016 at 11:31 AM