



## Gerald (Jerry) E. Dillon

April 17, 1934 - July 6, 2012

Gerald E. (Jerry) Dillon was born in Seattle to Virg and Cece Dillon on April 17, 1934.

In 1944 the family moved to Wenatchee where Virg established Dillon Electric and his brother Ed opened Dillon Construction.

Jerry set pins in a bowling alley at the age of ten. He began learning the electrical trade in his teens, working with his father until he joined the Navy directly out of high school. After his tour of duty he rejoined his father at Dillon Electric.

In 1960, he met and married Ella (Bush) McFall and became a father to her seven year old son, Doug. Ella joined Dillon Electric as office clerk.

After several bouts with cancer Jerry was told he had leukemia. Chemo brought him into remission and all looked well until June 28. Three days after their 52nd anniversary they were told the leukemia was back and very aggressive. Ella cared for him in their home until he died on July 6, 2012.

Their home was open to all – from visiting pastors, to foster children, elderly parents and grandparents, hitch hikers, and a man Jerry found living on the railroad tracks. They also took in stray dogs and cats.

Jerry was a pilot, raced go carts and rode motorcycles. He was active in gold panning and metal detecting. He was an avid deer hunter (with a camera). He only deer he shot with a gun was one wounded and left to suffer.

Jerry volunteered with the Police Rescue in Wenatchee, and Chelan and Douglas Counties as Firearms Instructor and Range Master. He also worked with Cliff, a police dog.

When grandson, Matt was 10 years old, Jerry took him on a motorcycle trip to Mount Rushmore. Now in his 30's, Matt still talks about that trip.

Jerry is survived by his wife, Ella, son, Doug (Nancy), Grandchildren, Matt (Jaime) McFall, Taisha McFall, Andrea (Nathan) Vanderpool, great grandchildren, Addie and Ava McFall, and Ella Vanderpool.

Memorial Service at Wenatchee Church of the Nazarene on Saturday, July 14, at 2:00 PM.

Visitations are on Thursday, July 12, from 12:00 noon to 5:00 PM and Friday, July 13, from 3:00 PM to 7:00 PM at Jones & Jones~Betts Funeral Home.

Please express your thoughts and memories on the online guest book at [jonesjonesbetts.com](http://jonesjonesbetts.com). Arrangements are by Jones & Jones~Betts Funeral Home.

# Tribute Wall



“ Jones & Jones - Betts Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Gerald (Jerry) E. Dillon



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**Jones & Jones~Betts Funeral Home** - July 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ Rest in peace Jerry. I'm shocked and saddend by your passing. We had many good times together prospecting up on Peshastin Creek and at the North Central Washington Prospectors club. My sincerest condolences to you Ella and the family.

*Roy Seals*

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**Roy Seals** - July 13, 2012 at 10:00 PM

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“ Linda J Lambrecht lit a candle in memory of Gerald (Jerry) E. Dillon



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**Linda J Lambrecht** - July 11, 2012 at 04:24 PM



*Our deepest sympathy to you , Ella and Doug and families also. I remember our visit with you and Jerry at the ocean a few years ago. and your visit to Fortuna when I was younger. Jerry was a nice person. I'am sure he will be missed by many.*

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**Linda J Lambrecht** - July 11, 2012 at 04:31 PM