



Harold Allen Troy

January 26, 1935 - March 12, 2018

Harold “Hal” Allen Troy, 83, crossed over into the loving hands of Jesus on March 12, 2018, after a brief battle with lung cancer. He was born on January 26, 1935, in Long Beach, California, to William Troy and Wanda Ewen. Hal’s early years in California were golden years of fun in the sun with his sisters. At Jordan High School, Hal excelled in tennis. Shortly after graduating from high school in 1952, he enlisted in the United States Navy as a corpsman. During his time in the navy, he was stationed on Guam and became the navy tennis champion in 1954.

After being honorably discharged from the navy, Hal worked for the General Telephone and Electronics Corporation (GTE) as a cable splicer. In 1961, he and Loucille Mildred Bullard were married, and two beautiful sons, Bill and Matt, were born. Choosing to have his boys grow up in a smaller community, he transferred with GTE from California to Wenatchee in 1968. Hal and Loucille divorced, but he continued live in Wenatchee working for GTE.

In 1978 at the GTE Christmas party, Hal met Mary Burian Holland, who was also working for GTE. The story goes that Hal bought a new suit for their first date. He danced the night away with his new love, with the tags still attached to his new suit. Hal proposed to Mary and her four-year-old son, Bob; and they were married on June 21, 1980. Every month on the twenty-first, they wished each other happy anniversary.

Retiring from GTE as a supervisor after 33 years of service allowed Hal to follow his passions: bowling and golf. Hal golfed as often as possible and

achieved a hole in one. Bill Harrison was his best friend, and it was a rare day that the “brothers” did not spend time together bowling, golfing, and/or eating meat and potatoes.

At 14, Hal had his first job as a pinsetter at a local bowling alley, where his love of bowling began. He bowled several times a week until just a few weeks ago. His high score was 299, but we are all sure a 300 game was bowled shortly after his arrival in heaven. Sharing his love of bowling with his family, and watching his grandson Trenton bowl every Saturday, brought him great joy. He was a lifelong member of the United States Bowling Congress (USBC), a 50-year member of the Wenatchee Bowling Association, and a 2002 inductee into the Bowling Hall of Fame.

Hal was always ready to take on any job or help others. Four years ago, Hal saw a need to form a seniors’ group where someone would listen and respect their thoughts, ideas, and opinions. Hanging with Hal was established at Blossom Valley Assisted Living. It started as a group of guys discussing sports, news and whatever anyone brought up. The men’s group grew large and caught the attention of the women. Soon the club was coed, full of laughter and the highlight of the week for many.

The most important life event for Hal happened in 1988, when he gave his life to Jesus. The promise of eternal life was always of great comfort to him and his family, especially in his last days.

Hal will be lovingly remembered by his wife, Mary; sons Bill Troy (Kim), Matt Troy (Ilene), and Bob Holland (Crystal); grandchildren Connor, Amanda, Kearstin, Trevor, Trenton, and Kennadi; sister BJ; and all his family.

Hal was preceded in death by his parents and Sister Dorothy.

A celebration of Hal’s life will be held on March 24, 2018, Saturday, at 2:00 p.m., at Sage Hills Church, 1601 Fifth Street, Wenatchee, Washington. Hal requested a simple service and a pie social afterward.

Those who wish to remember Hal Troy in a special way may make gifts in his memory to the Wenatchee Youth Bowling Association.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life Service

MAR **24**. 2:00 PM (PT)

Sage Hills Church
1601 Fifth St
Wenatchee, WA 98801

Tribute Wall

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“ May God be with you and your family in this time of remembrance and joy. Many years ago I had the pleasure of competing against Hal, his friend Bill Harrison and many others in the Columbia Lanes Classic league in Wenatchee. Many happy memories of those old times. May some of the thunder from the skies be from the many strikes Hal rolls as he competes with old friends on the lanes in Heaven.

*Duane and Laurel Downs
Bethlehem, GA*

Duane Downs - March 18, 2018 at 08:07 PM

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Collins

“ Hal was a good friend to my late husband Bob Collins and myself. Bob was one of the first people to meet Hal in 1968 when he moved to E Wenatchee. Thru their love of bowling we spent many week ends traveling to various bowling tournaments in and out of state. They also spent many afternoons on the area golf courses. Hal a true gentleman ,full of life and fun. When the thunder rolls you can just imagine Hal and Bob and many other bowling buddies , bowling pot games in Heaven.

Maren Collins - March 18, 2018 at 02:47 PM