



## Jack Bills

October 6, 1926 - April 9, 2019

Jack C. Bills passed away on April 9, 2019. Jack was born in Monitor, WA, to parents Frank and Carrie Bills on October 6, 1926. He attended grade school at Monitor and graduated from H.B. Ellison Junior High and Wenatchee High School in 1944.

His plan to attend college at the University of Washington was interrupted by World War II and he enlisted in the Air Cadet Program of the U.S. Army Air Corp. At the end of the war he was honorably discharged and returned to Wenatchee. While waiting for a semester to start at UW he worked as a stock boy and janitor at Wenatchee Paint and Glass. That temporary work led to 30 years with the company where he became manager and President of the Corporation. He retired from the business at the end of 1975.

Jack married Mary Finnigan in 1946 in Wenatchee. Mary taught school for 4 years; 2 at Monitor and 2 at Stevens School. In 1950 daughter Nancy Lea was born and in 1952 son James Frank was born.

Jack was a member of the First Presbyterian Church for over 60 years. He was an elder for 34 years and served on many boards and agencies of the Synod and the National Church. He chaired the finance Committee of the Synod of Alaska Northwest and served on the Executive Committee of the Synod General Council. He was on the Board of the Corporation of Synod and the Board of Presbyterian Ministries which owned 3 retirement homes and one hospital in the Synod. He served 9 years on the Council on Administrative Services of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church U.S.A. He was

Chair of the Finance Committee and the Council's representative to 3 other regional Synods.

He served on the Board of Whitworth College in Spokane for 21 years. He was Chair of the Finance Committee, member of the Executive Committee and a member of the Development Committee. On his retirement from the Board he was honored to be a Trustee Emeritus.

He served as a Director of Wenatchee Federal Savings and Loan (which became Columbia Federal Savings Bank) for 23 years. He was a member of the Executive Committee, Audit Committee and Compensation Committee. He was Vice Chairman of the Board when the bank was sold. He was a Director of Columbia Services Inc.

Jack was a charter member of the Wenatchee Exchange Club, Past President of the local club and District Governor for Eastern Washington for 2 years. In June of 2019 the local club celebrated 70 years of service to the youth of this valley.

Jack was appointed to the Deaconess Hospital Board of Trustees in 1959 and served as Treasurer of the Board and was President of the Board for 4 years. He was heavily involved in the merger of the Deaconess and St. Anthony's hospitals. He served on the Board of Deaconess and Central Washington Hospital for over 30 years. At his retirement he was made Trustee Emeritus. He was elected to the Board of Trustees of the Washington State Hospital Association

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life Service

APR 17. 12:00 PM (PT)

Saddlerock Evangelical Presbyterian Church  
1400 S Miller  
Wenatchee, WA 98801