



Maurice M. Willis

December 4, 1925 - June 7, 2017

Maurice Willis "Moe" passed gently from life here on earth into God's arms early morning June 7th, at 91 years old following a year-long battle with cancer. - He was born December 4th, 1925 in Seminole Oklahoma as the oldest of three children to William and Zulla May Willis. The family moved to the Boise Idaho area briefly prior to permanently settling in Peshastin, Washington where he grew up with his siblings Everett and Lygena. Moe served in WWII and the Korean War firmly establishing himself in "The Greatest Generation". Moe married Hazel Johnson in 1946 and they raised their four children Pam, Tom, Robin and Steve here in East Wenatchee. Hazel passed away in 2001. Moe was a maintenance electrician and worked for Alcoa and later Kawiki Berylco, retiring well after sixty-five years of age. He also ran his own business M&H Contractors from home, and wired many pools, homes. and additions for private customers. Moe married Dorothy Welch in 2002. Dorothy passed in 2008.

Moe's favorite things to do were four-wheeling, snowmobiling and taking off for the weekend to go to a favorite place or drive down an old road so he could find where it went. Moe spent many days in the workshop and on the property in East Wenatchee.

He made many memories for his children and grandchildren hosting three-day parties at Christmas time somewhere in Lake Wenatchee with the Snowmobiles, and summer parties on the Oregon Coast with the ATVs and his Sandrail. Although these parties have long been discontinued, Moe began

riding his Snowmobile in winter and the ATV in summer with his group of buddies usually on Wednesday mornings.

Moe leaves behind his wife of eight and a half years, Barbara Hubacek-Willis who cared for him faithfully as he passed at home. He leaves four children, Pam Elkins (Daniel), Robin Johnson (Don) and Steve Willis all living locally and Tom Willis who lives in Western Washington. He also leaves behind Six grandchildren and eleven great grandchildren as well as 2 step children and 5 step grandchildren and friends who knew and admired him. He will be hugely missed but his memories and steadfastness will live forever. We will celebrate his life at St. Joseph Catholic Church with a funeral mass on Friday June 16 at 11:00 AM a reception will follow. A private family burial will be held at later date. In lieu of flowers consider a donation to St. Josephs Food Bank or KC Help.

Cemetery Details

Evergreen Memorial Park

1301 10th St NE
East Wentatchee, WA 98802
(509) 884-4651

Previous Events

Mass of Christian Burial

JUN **16**. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (PT)

St. Joseph's Catholic Church
625 S Elliott
Wenatchee, WA 98801
(509) 662-4569
<http://www.stjosephwen.org/>

Tribute Wall



“ Jones & Jones - Betts Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Maurice M. Willis



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“ I instantly liked Mo when I met him a few years ago. His bright blue eyes and big smile just drew you to him. He will be truly missed in our neighborhood.

Cindy McCubbin - June 13, 2017 at 06:53 PM