



Melvin "Mel" E. Fisher

December 5, 1925 - June 19, 2016

Melvin "Mel" E. Fisher, 90, of East Wenatchee

Surrounded by his family, Melvin "Mel" E Fisher of East Wenatchee passed away peacefully into the arms of his Lord Jesus on Father's Day, June 19, 2016. Mel was born on December 5, 1925 in Leavenworth, Washington to Conrad L. Fisher and Sadie Elizabeth (Howerton) Fisher. He was so small they put him in a shoe box and stuck him in the oven; so he was told. He was the third of 5 children and attended schools in Leavenworth and Poulsbo Washington. He worked at the Torpedo plant at Port Gamble during the war. Mel married Delphia B. Guthrie on October 12, 1947. Of this union, his 4 children were born, Donna Jo, Janet Kay, Diane Elaine and Roger Eugene Fisher.

Mel worked as a machinist for firms in Leavenworth and Wenatchee. Later as he continued in his field of automobile parts and repairs, he became a parts manager for Elder Auto Parts and had a branch store in East Wenatchee for 17 years. He was an East Wenatchee Water District commissioner in the 70's. On August 25, 1973, he married Ruth Kenaston and brought her two sons, Scott and Todd into the family. They moved to Longview, Washington in 1975, where he worked for 7 years as a parts manager for Buck Wisner Buick-GMC. Many of his customers were Weyerhaeuser and large trucking firms. They were able to see Mt. Saint Helens erupt from their home in 1980 while living in Longview.

Mel and Ruth moved back to East Wenatchee in 1982. He continued working in the auto parts business till 1991 when he retired from Cascade Chevrolet Dealership.

Mel and Ruth spent 18 winters in Apache Junction, Arizona where he made many friends and learned new hobbies, one being the making from scratch miniature Ming wire trees. Another hobby was shuffle boarding for which he received several medals. His love of fishing brought him and family to Depoe Bay, Oregon for many years and then continuing the yearly family gathering at Conconully. Mel and Ruth were able to enjoy trips to Mexico, cruises to Alaska and the Caribbean. In 1997 they traveled to Thailand on a mission trip thru the Church. He finally sold his big Honda motorcycle when he said, "if it falls over, I won't be able to pick it back up". Melvin attended Assembly of God churches from his childhood regardless of where he lived. He was a Sunday school teacher and board member for many years. Another love of his was bowling and he was known to have a dog on his lap to keep him company from youth till his death.

He is survived by his wife Ruth of 42 years, Daughters, Donna (Larry) Northwind,

Janet, (Pat) Mabes, Diane (Scott) Spencer; Sons, Roger (Debbie) Fisher, Scott (Nancy) Kenaston, Todd Kenaston and one sister, Doris (Frank)

Whitmire. He leaves behind 17 grandchildren, 24 great-grandchildren and 5 great-great-grandchildren.

Melvin was preceded in death by his parents, Conrad and Sadie; Brother Edwin, sisters, Lola Bussert and Bernice Carpenter.

Celebration of his life Service will be held on Saturday, July 2, 2016, at 1:30 PM at the Wenatchee First Assembly of God church at 1520 McKittrick Street in Wenatchee. The service will conclude at the church. Suggestions for memorials under his name may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, Washington State Chapter, 100 W. Harrison—N200, Seattle, WA. 98119 or to the Wenatchee First Assembly of God Church- Camp Scholarship program. Please express your thoughts and memories on the online guest book at

jonesjonesbetts.com. Arrangements are by Jones & Jones – Betts Funeral Home.

Previous Events

Service

JUL 2. 1:30 PM (PT)

Wenatchee First Assembly of God
1520 McKittrick St
Wenatchee, WA 98801

Tribute Wall



“ Jones & Jones - Betts Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Melvin "Mel" E. Fisher



Jones & Jones~Betts Funeral Home - June 28, 2016 at 12:29 PM

SG

Beautiful tears and memories 😇

Sandy goss - June 28, 2016 at 02:27 PM

RF

Perla, great job on the video!

Ruth Fisher - June 28, 2016 at 06:36 PM

KH

Beautiful tribute to your loving Mel, Ruth. Very sorry for your loss he is free now. God bless you and feel his love as you go on.

Kathy Hubers - June 28, 2016 at 08:44 PM



Precious memories! So sorry for your loss. I love you guys!

Carrie Marie - June 29, 2016 at 08:28 AM

BL

That was a beautiful video with lots of memories: Mel was such a wonderful person. I am so thankful I was able to meet and visit with my (second) cousin. My mom & dad talked so highly of Mel & Ruth, now he's joined them and the rest of the family that has gone before him in a big "Heavenly Family Celebration". He had a wonderful life. Sorry for your loss Ruth, Heaven has gained a precious Angel.

Bonnie Lange - June 29, 2016 at 11:35 AM

SH

What a nice tribute to Mel. He had a good life and a nice family. Sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you, Ruth, and the rest of the family.

sonia Holbrook - June 29, 2016 at 07:44 PM

CF

*Ruth...thankyou for sharing this on fb. I saved this to my page. You guys came to the family reunions it was good to see you with Bob & Marge Adams coming up for the get togethers. I will miss this. Lord bless and keep you in his loving arms. You are always in my prayers~
♡*

Cousin Dan & Lyn Fisher - June 29, 2016 at 11:52 PM

DB

*“ To Ruth (and family),
From the son of Hugh and Lenore Bozarth your neighbors on 3rd St NE....my sincere condolences at Mel's passing. I loved the conversations he had with us 'over the fence'. Wishing you strength and celebrating his life. Dwight Bozarth*

Dwight Bozarth - July 05, 2016 at 10:45 PM

RF

Thank you Dwight...the neighborhood is not the same anymore.

Ruth Fisher - July 16, 2016 at 12:04 PM

BL

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Bonnie Lange - June 29, 2016 at 12:43 PM

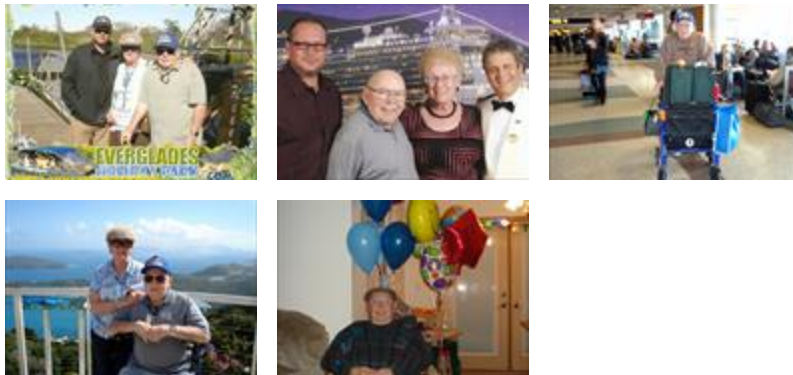
LZ

“ So sorry for your loss. He is now resting peacefully in heaven. Prayers for you and your family. That was a beautiful video lots of memories .❤️
your friends Jose & Lupe Zendejas

lupe & jose zendejas - June 29, 2016 at 10:34 AM

RF

“ 16 files added to the album New Album Name



Ruth Fisher - June 28, 2016 at 06:27 PM

AN

“ My dearest grampa Mel..we may not have been as close as we should have been, but my heart aches that your gone. I know your in a good place now an home. I love an miss u grampa. Until we meet again.

andy - June 27, 2016 at 09:44 PM

RF

“ The world lost a wonderful man and heaven gained an Angel!

Ruth Fisher - June 27, 2016 at 07:23 PM

RF

“ 10 files added to the tribute wall



Ruth Fisher - June 27, 2016 at 07:15 PM