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Norman Lee Tupling, 79, went to be with the Lord on Friday, October 25, 2013. He fought a tough battle with cancer, and passed in his home, with his family by his side. Norman was born July 16, 1934 to Ernest and Naoma Matthiesen; father, Ernie Tupling; two brothers, Jerry Tupling and Tom Tupling. Tupling in Yakima, WA. Shortly after, his family moved to Mansfield where he graduated in 1952. After graduation, Norman enlisted in the U.S Army, serving two years and then enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served another four years. While in the Navy, Norman married the love of his life, Marilyn Matthiesen, on December 29, 1957. His first civil job was working for Nichols Orchards in the Methow Valley. In 1964, he went to work for Douglas County Transportation and Land Services, where he was known as "Old Cat Skinner." Norm enjoyed operating the Cat dozer and during the winter months, plowing snow on McNeil Canyon Rd. He retired from the county in April of 1990. After retirement, Matthiesen; father, Ernie Tupling; two brothers, Jerry Tupling and Norman worked another 15 years plowing snow for the Dept. of Transportation and working for numerous farmers during the summer months. He spent many years as Mayor of Mansfield and serving time on the town council. Norman and Marilyn made their home in the same house both their parents owned at one time. They loved playing cards and hosting large family gatherings. Norm's special sister and brothers would

spend late nights playing cards. Norman had a very special friend, Phil Holmes, who he enjoyed playing cards with, taking drives, and usually having a beer with. Phil held a special place in Norman's heart. Norman was the greatest husband, father, grandfather, brother, and friend a person ever could have had. He was a family man and touched many lives. Once he touched your life, it was a forever experience. He was greatly loved by many.

Norman is survived by his wife of 55 years, Marilyn Tupling; son, Henry Tupling of Chelan; daughters, Julie Loessin (Scott) of Spokane and Patty Hanson of Mansfield; grandchildren, Cory Moore (Terilyn), Don Mills, Jason Moore, Norman Tupling, Jr. (Tara), Sarah Heffron (Ray), Mandy Slattery (Brandon), Kayla Hipol (Ciano), Tyler Loessin (Samantha), Dale Tupling (Tessa), Katy Loessin, and Jessica Moore; 10 great-grandchildren; many nieces and nephews; brothers, Bob Tupling (Barbara) and Raymond Tupling (Carolyn); and sister, Phyllis Masee. He was preceded in death by his mother, Naoma Matthiesen; father, Ernie Tupling; two brothers, Jerry Tupling and Tom Tupling.

The family would like to thank Dr. Waszkewitz and staff, Central Washington Hospice and a special thanks to Joanna Scheibe, our wonderful nurse. At the request of Norman, please make donations to the American Legion. A Celebration of Norman's Life will be held at the Mansfield Community Church on Friday, November 1, 2013 at 2:00 P.M. with Interment following at Mansfield Cemetery with Military Honors. Visitation will be from 7:00 until 8:00 P.M. on Thursday, October 31, 2013 at Waterville Funeral Home. Please express your thoughts and memories on the online guest book at jonesjonesbetts.com. Arrangements are by Waterville Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

Mansfield Cemetery

Mansfield, WA

Previous Events

Service

NOV 1. 2:00 PM (PT)

Mansfield Community Church
36 West 2nd Avenue
Mansfield, WA 98830

Tribute Wall

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“ So very sorry to hear of Normans passing away. My cousin Norm was truly one of a kind. I will always remember the good times we had in Mansfield and especially the times out on the old ranch as kids. He will be missed by everyone he knew him as he was a very unique person in every way
Cousin John Tupling

john tupling - November 12, 2013 at 10:23 PM

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“ My dad was the best dad a child could ask for. GOD blessed me so much with my dad. He was my best friend. I will miss him so much.. There are so many things I will always treasure about dad. Holding his hand, his wonderful smile, him driving the motorized shopping cart at Walmart....Him telling me how to drive, ... Having a beer with him... He was a great man..... I love and miss you....

Patty Hanson - November 06, 2013 at 12:19 AM