



Robert "Bob" L. Duffy

October 3, 1930 - October 14, 2014

Robert L. "Bob" Duffy, 84, passed away peacefully at home after a long battle with heart and lung disease. He was born October 3, 1930, in Wenatchee, WA to William L. and Marguerite "Babe" (Schille) Duffy. He attended local schools and, at the age of 17, enlisted in the Navy. He served aboard the USS Alshain, was stationed at Sand Point Naval Air Station, Moffett Field Naval Air Station, California and, during the Korean War, served aboard the USS Antietam, an aircraft carrier, where he worked on the flight deck rescuing pilots who crashed while landing. After his tour aboard the USS Antietam, he returned to Moffett Field. He then went to Parachute School in Lakehurst, NJ and became a Parachute Rigger. While at Moffett Field, he met the love of his life, Barbara, at a USO dance in San Jose, CA. They were married May 17, 1953. He then was stationed at Memphis Naval Air Station. After nine years in the Navy, he transferred to the Air Force and became a Fuel System mechanic. He did tours of duty at Ellsworth Air Force Base, South Dakota, Fairchild Air Force Base and Larson Air Force Base, Washington, Travis Air Force Base and Oxnard Air Force Base, California and Korat Air Base in Thailand. He wrote training manuals for Fuel Systems and was the Air Force fuel system rep during the building of the C-5A. While in the Air Force, he was very active in competition shooting and won many awards. Upon his retirement from the military in 1970, he worked for Grumman Aero Space for a short time, before deciding to move "home". In Wenatchee, he worked at Wenatchee Valley College in maintenance, retiring from there in 1995. He

served ten years with the Wenatchee Police Reserve from 1977 to 1987, enjoying working again with men who had a “mission”. He was a Life Endowment Member of the NRA, a member of VFW Post #3617, American Legion Post #10, Wenatchee Eagles #204, and a past member of BPOE #1186.

He is survived by his wife, Barbara; three sons, Robert Duffy (Debbie), William Duffy, and Timothy Duffy; four daughters, Kathleen Duffy, Patricia Duffy, Pamela Baker (Richard), and Sandra Duffy; ten grandchildren, Cathryn Irene (David) Eckley, Anthony Duffy, Sheenah Herrera, Niccole Metcalfe, Seath Metcalfe, Brittney Metcalfe, Zachary Baker, Raeanna Baker, Barbara (Jerome) Dillon, and Rebecca Duffy; and 13 great-grandchildren, who will all miss their Papa. Bob is also survived by five nephews and one niece. He was preceded in death by his parents; and one brother, Richard Duffy.

Memorial Service will be held at 1:00 p.m. Friday, October 24, 2014, at Jones & Jones~Betts Funeral Home in Wenatchee. Viewing will be held from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. Thursday, October 23, 2014, at Jones & Jones~Betts Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project. Arrangements by Jones & Jones~Betts Funeral Home, Wenatchee

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **23**. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (PT)

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Service

OCT **24**. 1:00 PM (PT)

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Tribute Wall



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