



Virgil Richard Shaffer

November 5, 1922 - December 11, 2016

Virgil Richard Shaffer, 94, of Wenatchee, passed away on Sunday, December 11, 2016

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Arrangements are by Jones & Jones - Betts Funeral Home.

Virgil R. Shaffer, 94 of Wenatchee and formerly of Benton, Illinois, died December 11, 2016, at Central Washington Hospital, Wenatchee, following a brief illness. He was born November 5, 1922, at Benton, Illinois, the son of Earl and Birdie (Overturf) Shaffer and attended Benton High School.

In 1939, he was married to Louisa Wayman, at Benton. During World War II, he served in the U.S. Army as a paratrooper and medic--having been involved in the battles at Ardennes, France; Rhineland, Germany; and Central Europe. Upon his discharge in 1945, he returned to Benton, Illinois, and rejoined his wife and oldest daughter, Patti. After the war, his first job was delivering milk and then he was employed in the local coal mines for three years. He then was employed with the Jewel Tea Co., distributing their products.

In 1964, the family moved to the St. Louis area where he owned and operated his Jewel Tea route until his retirement in 1987.

Following retirement, he and his wife relocated to Wenatchee to be closer to their family and he resided there until his death.

His wife, Louisa, preceded him on September 10, 2012. He and his family enjoyed fellowship with a body of nondenominational Christians.

Virgil was also a member of American Legion Post 280, at Benton, Illinois, for 72 years.

Survivors include four daughters: Patti Precht, of Chelan; Sheri Zimmerman, of Wenatchee; Vicki Hicks, of Denton, Texas; Debbie Farmer of North Bend, WA; eleven grandchildren and sixteen great grandchildren. A funeral Service will take place Monday, Jan. 16, 2017, at 1 P.M. at Jones & Jones-Betts Funeral Chapel, Wenatchee. A family graveside including military honors will follow at Fraternal Cemetery, Chelan. Jones & Jones-Betts Funeral Home has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Fraternal Cemetery in Chelan

55 Union Valley Road
Chelan, WA 98816

Previous Events

Service

JAN 16. 1:00 PM (PT)

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Tribute Wall



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