



Dale Richard Smith

February 14, 1933 - November 18, 2018

Dale R. Smith, 85, passed away at Hospice House in Bellingham on November 18, 2018 after a brief battle with cancer. He was born to Richard and Henrietta Smith in Bellingham, WA. After growing up in and around Whatcom County in foster care, he graduated in 1951 from Meridian High School and then joined the U.S. Navy shortly after graduation. While stationed in Japan during the Korean Conflict, he was shocked to have found both of his brothers also stationed nearby.

It was toward the end of his service that he met the love of his life, Peggy. After just two dates they began their 62 year marriage on June 23, 1956. Dale eventually found a career he enjoyed and provided for his family as a truck driver. He worked for Edmonds Auto Freight for many years until an industrial accident ended his career.

Dale was always enthusiastic about new technology. Whether it was the first ever calculator in the late 60's or the first microwave in the 70's, he was always excited to try the latest thing. When Commodore began selling desktop computers he was right there MS DOSsing with the best. How many 85 year-old Grandpas do you know that Messenger their Grandkids from their iPad? He loved learning new things.

Dale was predeceased by his parents, his sister Donna Noll, and both of his

brothers Dan and Darold Smith. Those who will continue to carry on his legacy include his wife of 62 years, Peggy Smith, daughters Sherry (Kenny) Walrath and Brenda (Ron) Bowles. He is also survived by the greatest lights of his life, his Grandsons Kyle and Cory Bowles. Work hard... words to live by. The world has lost a wonderful soul. A private family gathering will take place.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Whatcom Hospice House (2901 Squalicum Parkway Bellingham, WA 98225).

Tribute Wall

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“ *Another year, dad. Hard to believe that it has been 3 years. The emptiness in my heart still hurts as much as the day you left left. I miss you so much.*

Sherry Smith Walrath - November 15, 2021 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Will always remember all the special memories and special talks with a special friend !!*

Dew-Dar Wouters - November 18, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ *We will miss you our good friend and neighbor but we have wonderful memories of you, your kind & gentle nature and your infectious smile.*

Frank Siemion/Jan Mullen - November 18, 2018 at 12:00 AM