



Melvin John Friend

November 20, 1931 - January 30, 2017

Melvin was born in Bellingham to Dayton and Elizabeth (Six) Friend and graduated in the class of 1950 from Bellingham High School. He married Lorraine C. Olson in 1959 and they raised their son, Greg, in their hometown.

Melvin was a talented chef for many years and loved all types of outdoor activities; hiking, golfing, and enjoying nature. He was always kind, sweet, and compassionate to everyone he met.

He is predeceased by his parents and survived by his wife, Lorraine, and son, Greg (Della) Friend.

A funeral service will be held Tues, 2/7 at 10:00am at the First Congregational Church of Bellingham.

Memorial donations may be made to the Whatcom Hospice Foundation (2901 Squalicum Parkway, Bellingham) or the First Congregational Church of Bellingham (2401 Cornwall Ave.)

Tribute Wall

KE

“ Lorraine I'm so sorry to hear Mel's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you, Greg and Della. We love you.

Kenneth Eggert - January 30, 2017 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ Lorraine,
I was so sorry to hear about Mel. You are in my prayers.
Love, Cheri

Cheri Martin - January 30, 2017 at 12:00 AM

AC

“ Lorraine, I am so sorry to hear of Mel's passing though I know he is with the saints now. Please know that I am lifting you in prayer in this time of great loss. I am also remembering stories of your many trips, as dad would tell them when you and Mel returned home (despite detours to Veronica, Oregon.) Mom and dad so enjoyed their friendship with you two. I am glad that Greg is near. I hope to be able to attend Mel's service. God bless you, Amy

Amy Cloud - January 30, 2017 at 12:00 AM