



## Melvin Reynold Schadler

May 12, 1936 - October 10, 2014

Mel Schadler, age 78, of Mesa, Arizona, beloved husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather and friend to many, was called home to be with his Lord and Savior. He is survived by his wife Bonnie Schadler and 3 daughters, Ronna Parks (Rick), Pam Ekman (Larry), Regina Heller (Jerry) and 7 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren. He will be missed so much by his family and friends. Mel joined the Navy after High School and was stationed at Whidbey Island Naval Station from 1955 to 1974 where he worked as a Jet Mechanic. He retired from the Navy in 1974, and the Schadler family moved to Ferndale. Mel worked for Lynden Datsun Nissan, as parts manager. He was attending Whatcom Community College to obtain his associates degree. Mel finished up his career at Import Motors. We loved calling him at work because he would answer the phone "Parts Mel". We always thought he was saying "Parts Smell". Mel and Bonnie retired in 1988 and traveled the United States for many years in their RV; making friend wherever they went. They finally settled down in Mesa, Az. Mel was an avid athlete and sports fan. He enjoyed playing in a competitive baseball league until the age of 77. He also enjoyed pickle ball, golf, crossword puzzles and reading his Bible every day. Mel was a member of the Bellingham Elks Club and the American Legion. Mel was preceded in death by his son Michael.

Dad we miss you so much.