



Amand Ardaiz

November 18, 1937 - June 6, 2009

Amand Arlen Ardaiz passed away at 71 years of age on June 6, 2009 in Wapato after a long history of medical challenges. He was born in Pacific Grove, CA on November 18, 1937 to Severino and Martha (Cano) Ardaiz, he attended schools in Seaside, Pajaro and Watsonville, CA. he graduated in 1955 from Watsonville High School where he served as Student Body President and as an athlete in track and field. He received a full scholarship to Occidental College in Pasadena, CA and graduated with a BA in Philosophy. Amand fulfilled his Naval Reserve service during high school and college and attended Officer's Candidate School in Rhode Island. He earned his commission as a lieutenant while serving as Communications Officer in Japan and the Philippines for seven years.

Amand enjoyed classical music and jazz. He loved to read of the spiritual lives of Ghandi and T. Lobsang Rampa as well as the philosophies of Socrates, Plato and countless others. He enjoyed and had a large collection of Mark Twain's works. His greatest pleasures throughout the years were having thought provoking conversations, attending family gatherings where he enjoyed the food, and delighting in rowdy games of Yahtzee and poker. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

Amand was preceded in death by his parents and one nephew, Arn Ashleigh Parker. He leaves behind his brothers and sisters, Arden Ardaiz of Boise, ID, Aran Ardaiz of Honolulu, HI, Aurora E. Parker of Watsonville, CA, and Aris (Fred) Diaz of Toppenish, WA; many cousins, nieces, nephews, grand nieces

and grand nephews. A family event in his honor is being planned for a future date. Friends may send condolences at www.toppenishfunerals.com. Colonial Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Tribute Wall



“ *Amand Ardaiz*

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I miss you....Thank you for being my friend..... =0)
Love Pam
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“ *I remember Amand. I used to be his caretaker for a while at Garden Village. He was a great man. I met him the first day I started work there and ever since then, he and I just seemed to get a long. He had written a list of books for me that he really enjoyed reading and suggested I do the same. I still have that list. I just wanted to offer my condolences to the family. He was a great man and will be missed terribly.##imported-begin##Whitney##imported-end##*

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