



Charles Massett

May 1, 1921 - July 14, 2016

Charles Massett (95) of Toppenish passed away at his home on Thursday July 14, 2016. Charles was born in Linton, ND on May 1, 1921 to John and Aurora (Bachmeir) Massett. He was raised and educated in the Dakota's and moved to Washington with his family at 16 years old. He served in the U.S. Army during WWII in the south pacific. In 1947 he married Betty Wickham in Toppenish. He worked for Huylar Construction, U&I Sugar, Cal Pak and started his career with the Toppenish School District and the National Guard Armory in Toppenish as a custodian retiring at 61 years old. He volunteered as a driver for 23 years for RSVP and the Toppenish Food Bank. He was a member of St. Aloysius Catholic Church, Toppenish Eagles, Toppenish American Legion and the Yakima VFW. Charles will be greatly missed by everyone and will be remembered for his love and how he took care of his family. He is survived by his wife, Betty of Toppenish; one daughter, Sandy (Richard) Leaverton of Sunnyside, Ken (Laurie) Massett of Yakima, three grandchildren, Kevin (Sarah) Leaverton, Kelly (Patrick) Sypher, and Deven (Felicia) Massett; six great grandchildren, Zachary, Andromeda and Xander Leaverton, Brady, Riley and Kayley Sypher; one sister, Katie Haeger of Spokane and eight nieces and nephews. Charles was preceded in death by his parents, one brother, four sisters and a nephew. Visitation will be held on Thursday July 21, 2016 from 3-5PM at Colonial Funeral Home with recitation of the rosary at 5PM. Mass of Christian Burial will be at St. Aloysius Catholic Church on Friday at 10AM. Interment will follow at the Zillah City Cemetery.

Friends can send condolences at www.toppenishfunerals.com. Colonial Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

City of Zillah

(509) 829-5151

Tribute Wall



“ *Charles Massett*

October 05, 2023 at 11:22 AM



“ *Charles covered a lot of love, work and kindness into 95 years. I had many conversations with him, yet, they were not of many words. He was to the point and gracious. I can recall seeing him in our Toppenish High School buildings tediously attending to his responsibilities. Very meticulous, systematic, and focused are words coming to mind. In his home there was a calmness, but I felt he was definitely watching me to make sure I measured up. Within my memories of High School, Charles Massett holds a permanent place of respect. He has earned his rest. May your adjustments have God's blessings.*

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“ *I always enjoyed waiting on Betty and Charles Massett at Gibbons pharmacy. The duo are really neat people. Charlie and I talked about school issues. I also remember him from my high school days and early teaching days. Charlie was a well respected employee of the Toppenish School District. I will miss my visits...🥹*

❤️ *Karen Lommers*

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