



Delno D Hoptowit

May 24, 1943 - October 6, 2015

Delno Dee Hoptowit (72) of Mabton, WA passed away peacefully at Legacy Hospice Hopewell House with his family by his side on Tuesday October 6, 2015. He was born in Yakima on May 24, 1943 to Leo and Betty (Brewer) Hoptowit. He was raised and educated in the lower valley and graduated from Granger High School. Delno was a commercial fisherman all his life in Alaska, the coast and was a treaty tribal fisherman on the Columbia River. In 1966 he married Pamela Goudy in Stevenson, WA. They later divorced but remained lifetime friends and he remained very active on both sides of the family. He would spend holidays and family gatherings at the Wheelers home in White Swan. He lived life as he wished as an avid duck, deer and elk hunter, and fly fisherman. Delno enjoyed family functions, attending sporting events, telling stories and teaching his grandchildren how to become providers for their families. Delno always put his family first. He attended the Satus Christian Mission Church and was an enrolled member of the Yakama Nation. Delno is survived by his children, Rianna Hoptowit of White Swan, Kenny (Vanessa) Hoptowit of Goldendale and Betty Hoptowit of The Dalles, OR; ten grandchildren and three great grandchildren; a brother, Lloyd (Paula) Commander of Pendleton, OR; two sisters, Serena (Robert) McPherson of Stanfield, OR and Sophie Hoptowit of Spokane; a legion of loving nieces and nephews; and his best friend, Dr. Bill. Delno was preceded in death by his parents; one brother, Duane Hoptowit; his granddaughter, Angel Sky Hoptowit and his longtime friend, Johnny Meyers. Dressing services will be held at 2PM

Thursday October 8, 2015 at Colonial Funeral Home with overnight services following at the Toppenish Creek Longhouse in White Swan. Funeral Services will be held at sunrise Friday at the longhouse with burial following at the Goudy-Umtuch Cemetery south of Toppenish. Friends can send condolences at www.toppenishfunerals.com. Colonial Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Tribute Wall



“ *Delno D Hoptowit*

October 05, 2023 at 11:22 AM



“ *My condolences to Del's family I was out of town and didn't know about the service. Del and I were long time friends. We grew up together on the Satus among all the wonderful families that lived there. I am so sorry for your loss. Del loved his family. Serena I don't have your phone number or address would you please call me, my number is listed. Linda Sonner Dunnington*

Linda Dunnington - October 15, 2015 at 11:36 PM



“ *I am really sorry to hear of Del's passing and my family shares the same feeling. We have been long time neighbors in Mabton and I have great memories of Del growing up. I am glad I was able to have a nice catch up with him this summer and really appreciated his humor, smile, and laugh! Our thoughts are with the family. Greg Stivers and the Stivers Family.*

Greg Stivers - October 08, 2015 at 07:39 PM

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“ I am so sad to hear (just today) of Del's passing. He was a good friend, long time fellow fisherman and fellow Native American. We stayed in the same bunk house many years ago while gillnetting in Cook Inlet, Alaska. During recent years, Del would often call to see how we lower Columbia River fishermen were doing and to get the latest fishing report. We would lament about the lack of fishing opportunity, and ever increasing regulations and restrictions.

The last time we visited Del was near the Bridge of The Gods in 2010. It was good to reminisce; sharing good memories of our younger years. We snapped a photo in the local restaurant - he said his kids would enjoy that, since they used to go there years ago.

Del had the best sense of humor, and could lift a person's spirits quickly with his smile and laugh. I will miss his phone calls, our conversations about fishing and sports, and just hearing his voice. Farewell my friend. Our thoughts will be of Del and you, his family for a long time.

Daniel and Clair Stephan



Clair Stephan - October 08, 2015 at 06:42 PM

HS

“ My condolences to the family of Delno- Delno was a good friend and classmate of 1961- he was a friend that would help any one if they needed it. Rest in piece my good friend.

Harold and Jean Sutphin

harold sutphin - October 08, 2015 at 05:25 PM

KP

“ Del was a good guy one that could make u laugh and put a smile on ur face all in one shot. Him and I had a special bo f that will always be with me the rest of my life and I am truly blessed to have him in my life we had a favorite saying we always said and that will be with me all the time and yrs del I was glad I got to see u the last time I did our saying was "well glad u got to see me" so yes I am greatfully and blessed by getting to see u and I know ur watching over me in spirit and one of my gurdian angels love u Del, love Kathy

Kathy Peterson - October 08, 2015 at 03:32 PM

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“ Condolences to all family & friends from Leminnie Smith & Family

Leminnie Smith - October 08, 2015 at 03:32 PM