



Ernie Lindsey

December 14, 1924 - December 27, 2010

Ernest W. Lindsey, Jr. (86) passed away Monday December 27, 2010 in Yakima. He was born December 14, 1924, in Toppenish, Washington to Laura and Ernest W. Lindsey Sr. Dad attended Toppenish schools and graduated with the Class of 1944. Upon graduation dad enlisted in the Merchant Marines and after boot camp shipped out from Seattle on the “John W. Weeks” boat which was a converted freighter made into a troop ship. First port of call was Hawaii. While serving on the ship dad was notified of a family illness and returned home.

During his time at home dad worked a variety of jobs and then attended Yakima Valley Community College. In 1950 dad was drafted into the Korean War and spent two years total in the Army of which 9 months was time spent in France. Dad was discharged as Staff Sergeant in 1952.

The following spring dad went to work as a vegetable buyer for Safeway traveling the Pacific Coast and eventually dad took over the operations of Lindsey Grocery Store in Toppenish. Contemplating other choices for a career dad enrolled in real estate studies and became a broker starting Lindsey Real Estate in 1961 and retired from his business in 2005. Dad also drove extracurricular school bus for Toppenish School District and had great fun providing the transportation to out of area sporting events.

Dad married our mother (Sylvia Rethmeier) on August 11, 1956, and they eagerly started their family. Dad is survived by his three children, Julie Schnellbach Knauss (Craig) and son Joshua Schnellbach, step daughters Lisa Knauss and Kim Hahn, Janice Bourne (John) and daughters Sara and Abigail, James Lindsey (Penny) and daughters Jessica and Jennifer. Dad is also survived by his niece Jeanette Grimes(Dwight) of Newton, Iowa. Dad is preceded in death by his wife Sylvia Lindsey, his mother and father, Ernest W. and Laura Lindsey, Sr., and his half brother Tony Richards.

Dad you were a trooper right up to the end. Thank you for all your love and encouragement and we will always remember to give all our endeavors in life "our best effort." Your infectious laughter and teasing mannerisms will always bring a warmth to our hearts. We will miss you sorely and we look forward to the day when we will all see each other again – we love you. Happy Hunting and fishing again poppa!

Deer hunting time is here again and many hunters take to the woods and after months of planning with family and friends they gather in common brotherhood. It's a freedom that fills the soul of a man – with the peace of God's nature all around, lessons that have been taught since time began and lifelong memories and friendships are found. Hunting is taught by tradition still yet – knowledge passed on from man to man and you'll learn things that you'll never forget and respect nature more, our wildlife and our land. So all you hunters enjoy this time – may you be skilled and have lots of luck. May God bless you as you hunt today and may you bag that ten point buck! by Kathy West

Visitation will be on Monday January 3, 2011 from 10AM-1PM at Colonial Funeral Home with a graveside service following at Elmwood Cemetery at 2PM. The family suggests memorial contributions be made to the Toppenish Mural Society or the Yakima Humane Society. Colonial Funeral Home is in

charge of arrangements.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 3. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (PT)

Colonial Funeral Home
228 S. Alder
Toppenish, WA

Tribute Wall



“ *Ernie Lindsey*

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