



## Albert Wilson Bufton

June 28, 1934 - August 21, 2020

Longtime Yreka resident Albert Wilson Bufton passed away on August 21, 2020 in Springfield, Oregon. Al was born in Belcourt, North Dakota on June 28, 1934 to Elsie and Albert Bufton, the first of eight children. When he was young the family moved to Washington State, living in Cle Elum and Ellensburg. Al was baptized as one of Jehovah's Witnesses on May 6, 1956.

Al moved to the Eureka/Fortuna area and met Paula Enevoldsen. They married on May 3, 1958. Al and Paula moved to Yreka to help the local congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses. They also started Pioneer Cleaning Service in 1959 and served the community until retiring in 2000. Al was known for driving around town in his purple VW bus with Pioneer Cleaning Service painted on the side.

Al liked country music, listening to it and playing it. He did so with his family and friends. He also liked to ride his motorcycle and enjoy the countryside – sometimes even showing up unexpectedly at a friend's house to see how they were doing. He enjoyed reading and sharing what he learned from reading the Bible with others.

Al and Paula raised three children who survive him: Laurie Striano, Lisa Curry (Patrick) and Mark Bufton. Al leaves three grandchildren: Ashley, Steffie and Scarlet. He is also survived by his sisters Lorna Renfrow and Debbie Theis.

Several nieces, nephews and cousins survive him as well. Al was predeceased by his parents, Elsie and Albert, sisters Loraine Tadlock and Louella Bufton, brothers William and Charles Bufton, nephews Jeff Baker, Bret and Bric Bufton, and his beloved wife Paula, who passed away in 2016.

Due to COVID, a private memorial is scheduled. Memorial contributions may be made to Rescue Ranch, SNIP, or the local Montague congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses.

# Tribute Wall

MH

“ Al gave my husband & my wedding talk. Married on February 24, 1979 and now 41yrs almost 42, still married with fond memories. Al, Paula & the family have become part of our family for years. My husband Larry has know the Bufton family since he was a young teenager. Playing music any chance they could when they got together. We were able to visit Al & Paula before Paula had passed away. We stayed with them for a few days. Of course they got their guitars out for a small jam session, that brought back memories. Thoughts & prayers to the family & friends of Al. The Haskins

Melissa Haskins - September 03, 2020 at 09:52 PM

LM

*Sending condolences to Laurie, Lisa and Mark. May you find the comfort that comes from your heavenly father's love, especially now that your dear daddy is not here. Soon you will hold him and the rest of your gone too soon loved ones. Prayers are with you.*

Lupe Meraz - September 04, 2020 at 02:25 AM

CB

*Lisa, my heart goes out to you and your family. My momma and your dad were great friends. I suspect they are visiting right now. You are in my prayers.*

Charlotte Burgess - September 04, 2020 at 09:44 AM

SN

*Lisa and family. I always enjoyed visiting with Al while sitting at the lunch and dinner table with him at Brookdale. My condolences.*

Steve Neill - September 04, 2020 at 11:05 AM

MB

*Charlie and I enjoyed many Saturday mornings in the ministry with Al and Paula. Then lunch at Poor George's. Sometimes it was Sunday evenings, with guitars and pizza. Al performed our marriage ceremony. True friends and we miss them both very much. Our love goes out to Lisa, Pat and Laurie. Charlie and Marnie*

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**Marnie Bryant** - September 05, 2020 at 10:31 AM