



John "Wes" Wesley Pugh

December 2, 1921 - November 15, 2016

World War 11 Veteran, John Wesley Pugh (Wes) died 11/15/1016 in Yreka, CA.

Wes was the firstborn child of John McKinley Pugh and Ellamay Utterback Pugh on 12/2/1921 at Shedd, OR. He was raised on the family century farm. He attended Shedd Elementary School and graduated from Shedd High School in 1941.

He married his high school sweetheart, Hazel Jean Harrison on June 9, 1942. He served in the US Army from Feb 1943 to Nov 1945. Wes spent his career as a dairyman on the family farm until his son, Jack, joined the family business. At that time Wes started hauling hay for the farm and started his life long dream of commercial trucking.

Through the years, Wes and Hazel Jean traveled to Canada, Mexico, and some countries in Europe. Wes was able to travel through every state in the US. They were campground hosts in Alaska, Vermont and Oregon. After retirement they spent six months in Oregon and six months in Queen Valley, AZ.

Wes was a member of the United Methodist Church in Shedd and then in Halsey and Queen Valley Baptist church.

Wes is preceded in death by his wife of 62 years, Hazel Jean Pugh; sister, Phyllis Krefting; and daughter in law, Diane Van Gorder Pugh.

Wes is survived by his sister, Nancy (Donn) Knox of Shelton, WA. Children: Carolyn (Lael) Collins of Montague, CA; John (Jack) Wesley Pugh Jr. of Shedd, OR; Janet (John) Quinn of Salem, OR; 8 grandchildren, 18 great grandchildren and 7 great great grandchildren.

Celebration of Life gathering will be at 11:00 Sat. Dec. 3 at the Spirit of the Valley UMC (United Methodist Church) at Halsey, OR.

In lue of flowers, donations may be made to the Shedd Fire Department, Spirit of the Valley UMC at Halsey or Madrone Hospice 255 Collier Circle Yreka, CA 96097 or your favorite charity.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

DEC 3. 11:00 AM (PT)

Spirit of the Valley UMC
611 W 3rd Street
Halsey, OR 97348