



## Boyd G. Holloway

December 21, 1935 - April 19, 2019

Boyd G. Holloway, 83, of Rock Island, WA, passed away on April 19, 2019, at Central Washington Hospital in Wenatchee, WA. He was born on December 21, 1935, in Mountain Home, AR. He spent his early years in the Ozark Mountains, where his love for family, hunting, and fishing began. At the age of 19, he met the love of his life, Doris J. Matney, and the two were married on May 28, 1955. In July of the same year, they spent their honeymoon in Santa Cruz, CA. They made their home together in the San Joaquin Valley, where Boyd began his career as a foreman at Grissom Farms. During his time there, he was recognized for operating one of the first cotton machines, and his picture still hangs in a museum in Hollister, CA, today. He later worked for San Joaquin Cotton and Oil, before moving his family to Washington State in the early 1960's. Boyd finished his career at Kenite Corporation, later named Celite Corporation. In honor of his accomplishments and to recognize his more than 30 years of service, Celite Corporation sent him to China. While abroad, Boyd aided in the launch of operations and production of the new Asia-Pacific diatomaceous earth mine.

A member of the East Wenatchee Church of God for many years, Boyd found joy serving as a Sunday school teacher, board member, and deacon. He also served as a respected delegate for the Republican Party, something he was passionate about. Boyd will be remembered for his steadfast faith, unflinching commitment to his family, and his relentless work ethic. For those who had the

honor of hearing one of his beautiful recitations, it was an experience likely never forgotten. Boyd was a generous and kindred spirit, and a man who was not afraid to help a person in need, no matter friend or stranger. There were many times throughout his life that Boyd worked two or three jobs to ensure that his family was never left wanting. He guaranteed his family knew they were valued through his unfailing love, respect, and forgiving nature. Boyd possessed a gentle soul; he truly embodied the traits of respect, dignity, dedication, and honor. His legacy lives on in his wife, children, extended family, and those he touched with his genuine and caring spirit. He will be immeasurably missed.

Boyd was preceded in death by his father, Rudolph Holloway; mother, Nellie Mae (Johnson) Holloway; and brother, Floyd Holloway. Boyd is survived by his wife of 63 years, Doris (Matney) Holloway of Rock Island, WA; his children: Pam (Holloway) Wilson of Spokane, WA, Patty (Holloway) Stephens of Wenatchee, WA, William (Buck) Holloway of Springfield, MO, and Jeanell Holloway of Bend, OR; eight grandchildren; ten great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

A Funeral Service will be held at Chapel of the Valley, 302 9th St., Wenatchee, WA, on Friday, April 26, 2019, at 1:30 p.m., with Pastor Ron Hodges officiating. Concluding Services and Interment will follow at Evergreen Memorial Park. Viewing will be held on Thursday, April 25, 2019, from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m., at the funeral home. Arrangements are by Chapel of the Valley, Wenatchee, WA.