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Fred J. Scaife, a lifelong resident of North Central Washington, passed away on March 14, 2018, at the age of 101. Fred was born in Waterville, WA, on September 27, 1916, the fourth of five children, born to William and Jane Scaife. Fred graduated from Waterville High School in 1934, and attended Washington State University, where he was a member of the Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity. Fred remained an avid Cougar booster and enthusiastic sports fan throughout the years. After college, Fred's first employment was as auditor for the Cascadian Hotel, and later with the Puget Power and Light Company, which was acquired by the Chelan County PUD in 1948. Fred was one of the original Chelan County PUD employees, where he served as the Accounting Supervisor for 32 years. Upon his retirement in 1972, he was awarded a lifetime membership in the Northwest Public Power Association. Fred was a member of several service clubs and organizations including: the Wenatchee Chamber of Commerce, Elks and Lion's Clubs, the Lake Chelan Yacht Club, and the Rock Island and 3 Lakes Golf Clubs. Fred was an avid golfer and enjoyed playing several days per week until the age of 95. Fred was proud of his military service, having served in the Navy during WWII.

In 1938, he married Marion Slack, the daughter of Ray and Laverne Slack of Orondo, WA. They were blessed with a daughter, Karen, in 1942. Both Fred and Marion had a great love of Lake Chelan, and after his service in the Navy, he built a vacation cabin where family and friends spent many happy days fishing and boating on the lake. Being a sports fan, he followed the local high school, college, and professional teams. Fred and Marion relished their time traveling the country, following their son-in-law, Jim Norton's Washington Husky and professional football career. Upon retirement, they became "Snowbirds", traveling to California and Arizona, where they enjoyed golfing with their many Wenatchee "Snowbird" friends at the various courses in the southwest. The love of Fred's life was spending time with his family, and looked forward to time spent with his many friends and his daily visits to Denny's Restaurant. Fred also had a love of music, especially the sounds of the "Big Band" era. Fred was a gifted piano player and spent time as a student of Ken Warner. Both he and Marion loved to dance and belonged to several dance clubs in the area.

He leaves behind a loving family including his daughter, Karen, and her husband, Jim Norton; his three grandchildren: Stacy Wilson, Sally Smith, and Jon Norton. Fred was blessed with nine great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren whom he treasured. Fred leaves behind several nephews, cousins, and many good friends. In 2000, Fred was preceded in death by his loving wife, Marion, of 62 years.

Chapel of the Valley, Wenatchee, WA, is handling the arrangements.