



## Glen S. Puterbaugh

November 12, 1936 - May 26, 2014

Glen S. Puterbaugh passed away quickly at his home in East Wenatchee, WA on May 26, 2014. He was born on November 12, 1936 in Grandview, WA. Glen graduated from Grandview High School in 1955. He enlisted in the Washington National Guard in 1954. He left service in 1969 with the rank of Captain. Glen deeply valued his military experience. Glen married his wife of 53 1/2 years, Beverly L. Coats of Prosser, WA, on July 2, 1960, in Grandview Bethany Presbyterian Church. Glen received two Bachelor of Arts degrees in 1961 and a Master's Degree in 1965 from Washington State University. He taught agriculture and industrial arts for nine years. Glen acquired an electrician's license and worked part time as an independent contractor. Glen and his family moved to the Wenatchee area in 1975. He was a safety education representative for Washington State Labor and Industries for 12 years. He moved to the Washington State Department of Transportation, (WADOT) serving as safety manager for the North Central Washington Region for 16 years. After DOT retirement, Glen continued his interest in highway traffic control and safety by teaching flagger certification classes for Wenatchee College, Yakima College, and city and county agencies. He also taught Pilot Escort Vehicle Operation certification classes. Glen enjoyed bowling with family, starting with his years working in the WSU bowling alley as a desk clerk and pinsetter. Glen liked to do jigsaw puzzles and online puzzles. He enjoyed the outdoors, including yard work, camping and short hikes.

Glen is survived by his wife of nearly 54 years, Beverly; two sons, Brian of Othello, WA, and Kevin and wife, Teresa of Auburn, WA; his sister, Julia Marshall of Edmonds, WA; and a sister-in-law, Christina Scheller in East Wenatchee. He has four grandchildren, Brandon Smith, Samara Smith, Victor Smith, and Mikayla Puterbaugh; two nephews and one niece. He was preceded in death by his parents, Shiley S. and Elizabeth R. Puterbaugh of Grandview, WA; two brothers, Frank and Donald; a sister, Rose Puterbaugh; and two brothers-in-law, John Marshall and Don Scheller.

A Celebration of Life Service for Glen Puterbaugh will be held at Living Hope Community Church, 11 N. Chelan Avenue in Wenatchee, WA, on Saturday, June 28, 2014, at 1:30 p.m., with a luncheon following. He will rest at Evergreen Memorial Park in East Wenatchee, WA. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be sent to The National Alliance on the Mentally Ill - Chelan-Douglas (NAMICD); The Community Foundation of North Central Washington; or the American Heart Association. A more complete memoriam and gifting details may be accessed on Glen's website at [www.telfordschapel.com](http://www.telfordschapel.com). Thoughts, remembrances or messages to the family may be sent to this site at any time. Arrangements are by Telford's Chapel of the Valley, East Wenatchee, WA.

# Tribute Wall

KG

“ *Puterbaugh Family:*

*I just learned that Glen passed away last year. He was so kind and fun . . . he will be missed.*

*Every few years he taught our Pilot Car Training for Gebbers Farms and the US Forest Service. He told me three years ago he would do one more training and then retire. I learned of his passing when I was seeking his number to schedule.*

*We all liked Glen so much and enjoyed his silly, charming stories and humor. I just wanted you to know that.*

*Kathryn Grandy*

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**Kathryn Grandy** - March 30, 2015 at 03:03 PM

MG

“ *Bev, I am truly pleased to have had the opportunity to meet such a unique and caring couple like you and Glen.. You are a true example to modern day couples .. I only pray that I may be able to have as many beautiful years of life with my husband as you and Glen.. Glen will be forever remembered thru all the good that he did.. Blessings to you and remember I will always be here for you !!*

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**Mina Gomez** - June 23, 2014 at 06:13 PM

“ Just looking at this picture of Glen and Bev reminds me what a great smile Glen had. Glen was a serious-seeming fellow and whenever I could get him to smile or laugh, it made my day. I volunteered with Glen on the NAMI, National Alliance on Mental Illness, Chelan Douglas Board of Directors for several years. He served as our treasurer and you could count on him to know where we were financially down to the penny. You could also count on Glen to manage our grants according to their strict guidelines and be able to make important decisions about how to spend our meager financial resources in the best way to benefit our community.

One of Glen's most important contributions to our community was in the field of mental health and law enforcement. Glen was instrumental in advocating for and supporting getting officers trained in crisis response to mental health calls. CIT, Crisis Intervention Team training is a nationally recognized "best practice" that gives law enforcement officers 40 hours of training to that teaches them how to keep individuals, the community and themselves safe in situations where a person may be experiencing symptoms of a mental illness. Glen attended a national mental health conference and came back fire up about bringing CIT to our community. When others said "Wenatchee is just too small" Glen said "We can do it!" And he, along with City and County officers and other NAMI volunteers established CIT training in 2003. He supported this program with his excellent organizational and management skills. The program continues to this day having trained close to 300 officers.

Both Glen and Bev were active participants in NAMI community outreach and legislative advocacy. They always passed along a strong message of Hope to those who were experiencing difficulties in living with mental illness or loving someone with a mental illness.

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**Charlene Woodward** - June 23, 2014 at 05:42 PM

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“ *My thoughts and prayers to Julie and the entire family - I am so sorry for your loss! Glen sounds like an amazing person! Although the world has lost a great spirit, heaven must be very happy to have him in their sphere again!*

*Kathleen Park*

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**Kathleen Park** - June 17, 2014 at 11:06 PM