



James Oliver Howell

April 21, 1926 - March 21, 2015

James O. Howell, 88, passed away on March 21, 2015 smelling his morning bacon frying in the pan. Dad was born in Waynesburg, Kentucky April 21, 1926; where his parents Isom Howell and Pearl Robinson Howell had a tobacco farm. Jim was the youngest of nine children and the last of his family. When times were hard and they lost the farm, the entire family migrated to Washington State after several of the men had worked the apple harvest. They settled in Oroville, Washington and Dad completed his education. He enlisted in the Army March 14, 1946 and served in the Philippines. He married Peggy Pachino in 1947 and they had 3 children: Brenda Mathews Hand, Debra (Patrick) McHale, and Ron (Renee) Howell. He and Mom owned an apple orchard and a small business before going to work for the Cascade Market. After their divorce, Dad moved to Wenatchee and went to work for Mid-State Electronics. Here he met Colleen Myers and they married in 1970. They did apartment management in Bellevue for Pacific Village. They moved back to Wenatchee when Dad retired. Colleen passed on March 22, 1988. He liked to fish, hunt, dance at the Chieftain and the Mid-Night Raid. He enjoyed building model airplanes and flying them. He did not enjoy repairing the planes after the crash. He had a joke for every occasion. Dad struggled with his COPD and congestive heart failure. He received care thru the Wenatchee VA Clinic, Central WA Hospital, Hospice and the Caring Cottage. He leaves behind his children, 9 grandchildren: Stacy Mathews, Karie Kelly,

Shayla (Parrish) Prolo, Greg Burr, Derrick (Jennifer) Burr, Tara (Chad) Crouch, Kat McHale, Travis Howell, and Amy (Chris) Thompson.

11 Great Grandchildren: Jacob Kelly, Chase Moses, Chance Moses, Dagen Mathews, Skyler Mathews, CJ Mathews, Daniel Crouch, Andrew Crouch, Lucy Crouch, Emma Thompson, and Owen Thompson.

1 Great Great Grand Daughter: M'Kaelie Kelly

A Graveside Service for Jim will be held 11:00 AM Monday, March 30, 2015 at Evergreen Memorial Park in East Wenatchee.

Arrangements are by Telford's Chapel of the Valley, East Wenatchee, WA