



## Jim Deich

September 12, 1935 - July 16, 2022

Our beloved husband, father, and "Poppo", Jim Deich, 86, passed away on Saturday, July 16, 2022, surrounded by family. Jim was born in Julesburg, Colorado on September 12, 1935, to Helen and Bill Deich. He was a wonderful brother to "Spud" and Lenore. He attended school in Julesburg, graduating in 1953. Jim served our country in the US Navy as a Builder, First Class in the Seabees where he spent time on Kwajalein Island in the Pacific. He attended Pittsburg State University graduating with his bachelor's degree in Mechanical Arts with an emphasis in printing.

Jim met his wife, Joy, in college and they were married June 5, 1960. They moved to Cashmere in the early 1960's where Joy taught school and Jim worked at the Cashmere Valley Record. Their son, Rick, joined the family in 1965. Jim left the newspaper and joined Burlington Northern Railroad where he spent the remainder of his career. Jacki joined their family in 1967.

They enjoyed spending time together raising and riding horses. He served as a 4-H leader, youth baseball coach, and he could be found in the stands at various Cashmere sporting events. In 1982, the family moved to East Wenatchee where he became a long-time member of the Wenatchee Gun Club. He particularly enjoyed teaching others about gun safety and competitive marksmanship. Jim was an excellent trapshooter and a lifetime member of the National Rifle Association. He liked hunting, fishing, and

camping spending many summers at Westport fishing where they welcomed family and friends.

Jim is survived by his wife of 62 years, Joy, along with his children Rick Deich (JoDee), East Wenatchee, and Jacki Fischer (Ed) of Kent, Washington. Jim was "Poppo" to his grandchildren: Joshua Fischer (Sibyl); Eric Fischer (Anastasia); Sam Deich, East Wenatchee; and Megan Deich, Fife, Washington and great grandpa to Teddy and Fiona Fischer along with several nieces and nephews.

The family loved Jim and misses him. He will live in our hearts and memories forever. A private burial service will be held, and a casual memorial service is scheduled for Saturday, August 27th at the Chateau Faire le Pont winery at 10:30am. Please RSVP to Jacki at [Fischers1@comcast.net](mailto:Fischers1@comcast.net) or Ed at (253) 777 - 7420 by August 15, 2022. Memorials may be made to Faith Lutheran Church, 171 Eastmont Avenue, East Wenatchee, WA 98802.

Arrangements in the care of Chapel of the Valley, East Wenatchee