



## John F. Hatzenbihler

August 15, 1924 - May 11, 2012

In memory of John Frank Hatzenbihler who passed away May 11th 2012 at the age of 87. He was born August 15th 1924 to John and Barbara Hatzenbihler at their home in Center, North Dakota. He was the 8th of the 11 children they had. The siblings that are living are Beata Haag, Ralph Hatzenbihler, Liz Haag and Monsadius Hatzenbihler.

He married Barbara Vander Pas in Great Falls Montana. He was an Iron Worker who worked on Dams along the Columbia River. Together settling in East Wenatchee where they raised their five children together. They later bought some land and planted an orchard with Pear, apple and cherry trees. They farmed and raised there children there until 1992.

John enjoyed fishing, camping, swimming and bowling. He also Was a member of Wenatchee Eagles 204, Seattle Iron workers local 86 and the Lake Chelan Yacht Club. He and his wife joined the Yacht Club in the early 1970s and in 1978 bought a place there where they enjoyed escaping on the week ends with there family. He loved to participate in club activities and fish for salmon on Lake Chelan.

After they had raised their children John and Barbara began taking trips to Arizona in the winters in their motor home. They enjoyed it so much that they bought a small place in Yuma for their winter home and became true snow birds. It's no surprise to anyone who knew him that part of the adventure was traveling back and forth enjoying the casino food and slot machines.

He is survived by his wife Barbara Hatzenbihler, children Steven and Ruby

Hatzenbihler, John and Nancy Hatzenbihler, Suzette Coleman, Frank and Terri Hatzenbihler and Michael Hatzenbihler, eight grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

He had many good friends throughout his life and was loved by all his family. He will be missed by all.

A committal service will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday May 17th at the Evergreen Memorial Park Mausoleum, 1301 10th Street N.E. in East Wenatchee. Arrangements are by Telford's Chapel of the Valley, East Wenatchee, WA

# Tribute Wall

LM

“ Hey Frank,  
I am sorry to hear about your Dad's passing. I will be thinking about you.  
Sincerely,  
Larry Mc

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**Larry McFadden** - May 15, 2012 at 06:05 PM

BB

“ I wanted to let the family know just how much I have admired John over the years. I loved his sweet smile and an open hand to help anyone in need. I became fast friends with Suzette in the early 80's and her family welcomed me right in. I can't tell you how many wonderful memories I have of all the times that we had together. John you were an inspiration to all, I will miss that sweet smile of yours. Barb & Suzette please know that I will do anything I can to help. I love you both very much! Bernadette

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**Bernadette Beach** - May 15, 2012 at 12:05 PM

GM

“ My Uncle John was a soft spoken man with a heart of gold. I only got to visit his orchard once, but it was a great time. Oh how those apples were the best. My parents always brought some home every fall for us. He and Aunt Barb raised a beautiful family. I wished we had lived closer, so we could of spent more time together. But the memories I do have will always be cherished. I am so glad he made it to the reunion in 2006. It was so much fun. We love you Aunt Barb and family. Love, Gail, Jim and Dakota Morton

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**Gail Hatzenbihler Morton** - May 15, 2012 at 11:05 AM