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Jon Lester Browder was born August 3, 1937, in Sulphur Springs, TX, the only child of Lester Leon and Dorothy Mae Browder. After World War II, they moved to the Dallas area, where all of his schooling took place, including college. His love of music at an early age introduced him to the trombone, which he played for 30 years, playing Dixieland music, nights in a small combo, which helped him through college. During his college days, he met his first wife, Peggy Stubbs, and fathered three children, Jonny, Tonie, and Kerry.

In his working days, Jon had many different jobs: He was a Technical Illustrator for Texas Instruments; a cinematographer, making documentaries and television commercial films; a commercial and industrial photographer, where he had his own ad agency in Dallas; and ended his working career with his own mobile sharpening business, among other jobs. Most of Jon's jobs used his artistic gifts as a sketch artist, photographer, etc.

Jon moved to the Everett, WA area in 1981, to become a sales manager for a sign company. It was there that he eventually met Sharon Lone and they were married in 1992. They moved to East Wenatchee in 2008. Upon retirement, he

picked up his love of drawing, especially old farm equipment and barns. He also took up ceramics, paper mache;, gourd art and portrait sculpting in clay. He was the featured artist at Two Rivers Gallery during the month of December 2014. He also enjoyed working with wood, building toys for the grandkids and decks for friends.

Jon was an active participant at Celebration Lutheran Church, where he enjoyed working the sound booth during worship services and sang in the choir. He did many artistic pieces whenever asked to do so. Some considered him the "Artist in Residence".

Jon died February 2, 2015, at age 77, and is survived by his wife, Sharon; step-son, Ron (Jana) Lone and grandchildren, Will, David and Jackson; and step-daughter, Shari (Allen) Smith and grandchildren, Allana and Dustin. He is also survived by his children and grandchildren in Texas.

Memorial Service will take place at Celebration Lutheran Church, 801 8th Street NE in East Wenatchee, on Saturday, February 7, 2015, at 11:00 a.m. In lieu of flowers, please donate to Confluence Health Hospice or to Celebration Lutheran Church. Arrangements are assisted by Telford's Chapel of the Valley, East Wenatchee.