



Orville J. Vanderlin

January 6, 1937 - February 1, 2019

Orville J. Vanderlin died at the age of 82 due to complications following heart surgery. He was born on January 6, 1937 in Norway, MI to Peter and Rose (LaVigne) Vanderlin, he was the youngest of ten children, five boys and five girls. He graduated from Norway High School in 1955, and then graduated from Michigan College of Mines and Technology (now Michigan Tech University) in 1959. After graduation he accepted a job with the US Forest Service in Willamette, OR. In 1960 he was drafted by the US Army and stationed in Frankfurt, Germany until 1962. He returned to the USFS in 1962. Dad married Roberta Durham of Cottage Grove, OR in 1964 and they had two children, Andrew and Jennifer. In June of 1966 he was transferred to the Wenatchee National Forest and lived in East Wenatchee until he was transferred to the Rogue River National Forest and lived in Medford, OR for the next five years, after which he was transferred back to Wenatchee. He retired from the US Forest Service in January of 1996. In April of 1996 he opened Linden Tree Small Tree & Shrub Service. An active member of the Master Gardener program since 1996 and a certified arborist since 1997. Dad enjoyed working in the beautiful gardens of the Wenatchee Valley, his favorite were roses and Japanese maples. He enjoyed spending time traveling with Roberta to beautiful locals of Australia, Europe and Scotland. Many weekends were spent traveling with Andrew as a competitive shooter, a sport he had enjoyed since his 20's.

Orville is survived by his two children; Andrew Vanderlin of Wenatchee and

Jennifer Rudd (husband Michael) of Klamath Falls, OR. Also, by his niece, Carol Scammahorn (husband Ken) of Cashmere, and many more wonderful nephews and nieces. He was preceded in death by his loving wife of 50 years, Roberta Vanderlin, his nine siblings; Pearl Wills, Lorraine Trepanier, John Vanderlin Theresa Toney, Armelene Etko, Peter Vanderlin, Mae Michaud, David Vanderlin, Clifford Vanderlin and his daughter-in-law, Cathy Vanderlin. Per his request no services will be held. Memorial donations can be made to the Cancer Care of North Central Washington (the "Our House").

Andrew and Jennifer would like to thank all the wonderful friends and family for their support and his caring doctors for all their hard work. He will be dearly missed.

Arrangements are by Chapel of the Valley, Wenatchee.

Tribute Wall

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“ I am so sad to hear that Orville passed away. To his family, I send my deepest condolences. Orville and Roberta were great and giving people. I worked with Roberta for many years and both of them volunteered to pick up and plant trees in my yard. Orville was the only person that I would let touch my Japanese maple; he did such a great job maticulacely pruning it each year and would never take a penny for doing it. In fact, at Roberta's funeral, he told me to make sure I contacted him to prune my tree. I miss them both.

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