



Ralph Wayne Yates

September 6, 1939 - April 2, 2017

Ralph Wayne Yates was born Sept. 6, 1939 to William Earl Yates and Ruth Evelyn Buttler in Jonesboro, Illinois. He walked into the arms of our precious savior on April 2, 2017 on Sunday afternoon at 1:20 pm.

Ralph moved to the Seattle/Renton area at the age of 6 and attended Renton/Seattle area schools. He joined the Army National Guard and served 4yrs.

In 1960 he married Patricia Gatzke and they had 2 children, Sheila and Rick. Ralph worked at the Everett/Renton Boeing Company for 17 years.

Ralph married Judith Marilyn Miller and her daughter Shelly, April 12, 1969 and added 2 more children, Melody in 1971 and a son, Shawn in 1972.

He moved with his family to East Wenatchee in 1975. Ralph was a member of Wenatchee First Assembly of God church, where he became known for his beautiful smile. We miss him already, we loved him so much.

Ralph was preceded in death by his father and mother; baby sister, Shirley; and his brother, Earl. Until we meet again.

He is survived by wife, Judith Yates of Wenatchee; sons, Rick (Niki) Yates of Monroe, WA, Shawn (Jillian) Yates from Maple Falls, WA; daughters; Sheila Yates of Redmond, WA, Shelly (Jeff) Day of Entiat, WA, Melody (Russ) Field of East Wenatchee; sisters, Patsy Spangler of Renton, Yvonne Charvenka of Republic, WA and Sharon (Michael) Erickson; 12 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren.

A funeral service will be held on Wednesday, April 12, 2017, 10:30 am at

Telford's Chapel of the Valley, with burial following at Wenatchee City Cemetery. Viewing will take place on Tuesday, April 11, from 10 am to 5 pm at the funeral home. Memorial donations may be made to Wenatchee First Assembly of God. Arrangements are by Telford's Chapel of the Valley, East Wenatchee.