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Bob King was called to heaven after a short, but valiant, battle with pancreatic cancer on April 28, 2014. Bob began his adventure on February 9, 1952, in Wenatchee, as the third child born to Donald and Geraldine King. Raised in Wenatchee, Bob loved the outdoors and spending time in the mountains surrounding the valley. Summers were spent at Lake Chelan with extended family, and bird hunting with his Dad and "Gramp" was a favorite activity. In 1959, Bob's family moved to South America for a year, marking the beginning of his worldly adventures. Bob began studying martial arts at the age of seven and thoroughly enjoyed participating in Civil Air Patrol as a teenager. During this period, he also began a lifelong love of automobiles, airplanes and gadgets.

After graduating from Wenatchee High School in 1971, Bob joined the U.S. Army, during which time he trained with Special Forces. He was honorably discharged from active duty in 1975. He was stationed at Lawton, OK at the end of his service, and it was there, that he met and married Charolette Watts in 1975. In 1976, Bob became a police officer for the Lawton Police Department and during the next ten years, worked as a master officer,

detective, firearms instructor, sniper and explosive ordnance disposal technician. In 1980, Charlotte and Bob were blessed with the birth of their son, Brian. In the late 1980's, Bob ventured into the world of private security, first with his own security company in Oklahoma, then working for Vance International providing tactical security and executive protection. He later did similar work for SecurCorp.

Bob returned to Wenatchee in the early 1990's and began working for the Wenatchee School District in 1995. He began his time with the District as a school bus driver and, for the last ten years, had been Director of Safety and Security. Throughout his teenage years, Brian spent summers with Bob in Wenatchee enjoying family, outdoor adventures, movies and favorite restaurants. Bob married Becky Noyd in Wenatchee in 1998. Bob and Becky enjoyed great family and friends, music, movies and travel. After a lifetime of roaming the globe for his work, Bob took great joy in creating true homes with his beloved Becky.

Bob had his first book published in 1999, and continued to write both fiction and non-fiction. He worked for a time in Hollywood as a technical advisor and was a leader in Washington State for writing the standards that have been adopted by other school districts for safety and security. He found escape on his motorcycle and loved riding with good friends. He enjoyed photography and was an expert marksman, firearms instructor and supported the shooting sports. Bob spent many years volunteering in the community, assisting law enforcement agencies and in other public service. Bob was a patriot who believed in duty, honor and country. He was a friend to all in need, a white knight ready with a helping hand for people and animals. He tackled life with a vengeance, always moving forward. For those who could keep up with his pace, he was a focused leader eager to share his knowledge; he cared more about the people around him than for his own remarkable accomplishments.

Bob is survived by his wife, Becky of Wenatchee; one son, Brian King of Fremont, CA; his furry kids, Lilly, Luke and Minnie; two brothers, Randy King of Wenatchee, and Dick King and his wife, Jeannie of Wenatchee; one sister, Donna and her husband, Mike of Wenatchee; and six nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; and a niece, Nicole Dick.

Bob's family wishes to thank everyone for their outpouring of love, support and assistance with a special thanks to Chaplain Scott Langager for his comfort and prayer during Bob's short illness.

A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, May 10, 2014, at 3:00 p.m. at the Wenatchee Free Methodist Church, 1601 5th Street, Wenatchee. Memorial donations may be made in Bob's name to the Wenatchee Valley Humane Society. Arrangements are by Telford's Chapel of the Valley, East Wenatchee.

Tribute Wall

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“ I will miss you so Bob...working with you was always such a pleasure. You taught me so much about "choosing my battles" when it came to our kids (as well as my own) and always left me with either a smile on my face or laughing out loud. My deepest condolences to the King family as well as to all who knew and loved Bob.

Anne Miland - May 02, 2014 at 11:58 AM

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“ Rest easy my friend. Our travels and adventures during our years together leave memories most be appreciated by those who travel our path. See you on the other side.

Dennis (Lincoln 97, LPD)

Dennis R. Harris - May 02, 2014 at 10:27 AM