



Robert D. Skagen

June 28, 1932 - January 4, 2015

Robert "Bob" Skagen

Robert died peacefully in his sleep the morning of January 4, 2015 in East Wenatchee, WA.

He was born on June 28, 1932 in Auburn, WA, graduated from Kent Meridian High School in 1950 and obtained a BS in Agriculture in 1954 from WSU. He was a Naval Aviator from 1954-1958, and was hired the same year by Northwest Airlines as a commercial pilot. He retired in 1991 flying as Captain of the B-747.

Robert and Anne Kalmakoff were married in 1960 and raised their family in Issaquah, WA from 1970 to 1989 when Anne passed away from Cancer. In 1991, Robert married Ruthella Barnecut and they moved to East Wenatchee, WA where he has lived since then.

Robert is survived by his wife, Ruthella Skagen; sister, Blanche Speck and spouse Otto; daughter, Coleen Panerio and spouse Robert; son, Jeffery Skagen, daughter, Patricia Skagen; stepchildren, Ron Skagen, Dianne Skagen, Cris Lease; 16 grandchildren, and 12 great-grandchildren.

He will be laid to rest with a graveside service at Hillcrest Cemetery in Kent,

WA at noon on Thursday, January 8th followed by a reception at the Kent Memorial Park Building.

In Lieu of flowers, please send donations to Kent Zion Lutheran Church in Robert's name. Donations will go to an educational trust being established in his name. - See more at: <http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/seattletimes/obituary.aspx?n=robert-skagen-bob&pid=173755235#sthash.c9bsyexz.dpuf>

Tribute Wall



“ *I flew with Bob as his co-pilot on many occasions and he was a great captain to fly with. I know that he will be missed by all who knew him.* ”

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