



Roy H. Parks

February 16, 1929 - July 28, 2015

Roy Hollis Parks Jr.

Wenatchee, WA

Roy Hollis Parks Jr. passed away peacefully on July 28, 2015, six months after a fall that left him a quadriplegic.

He was born on February 16, 1929, in Baton Rouge, Louisiana to Roy H. Parks Sr. and Bertha Borskey Parks.

Roy served in the army during the Korean War and was honorably discharged upon completion of his term. One of his most memorable moments was attending to Marilyn Monroe, while she was there to entertain the troops during a USO show. He even had his picture taken with her.

After leaving the army, he moved to Houston, Texas, where he met the love of his life, Evelyn Camargo Parks. They were married shortly thereafter and started their lives together, moving to Washington State in 1961 and eventually to Wenatchee in 1964, where they have resided ever since. Roy retired from the United States Postal Service after serving for 30 years. He then went on to work at Eastmont Pharmacy postal substation for over a decade.

Roy had many passions. Golfing, fishing, and camping with his family were a few of them. He also loved to write and will be remembered for the numerous articles he penned to the Wenatchee World Safety Valve. He and his wife were also fixtures at Art in the Park in Leavenworth selling her artwork.

He and Evelyn have been proud members of the Wenatchee Valley Baptist church and Eastmont Baptist church for over 50 years. Roy was active in their church in several capacities, including serving as a Sunday School teacher, church accountant, singing bass in the choir and participating in various outreach ministries.

Roy is survived by his wife of 60 years, Evelyn Parks at home; daughter, Sheryl (Dave) Sutherland of Wenatchee, WA; and sons, Michael (Evie) Parks of Snoqualmie WA, Jeffrey (Cathy) Parks of Wenatchee, WA and Richard Parks of Rock Island, WA. He is also survived by eight grandchildren, Kyle, Brad, Todd, Kevin, Keisha, Amanda, Ashley, Christopher and a great-granddaughter, Amelia. Roy has a sister, Eunice Parks and a brother, Gerald Parks both living in Texas.

The family would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to the community for their outpouring of prayers and support over the past few months. We'd also like to say a special "Thank You" to Tracy Warner for his moving article written about our father.

Celebration of Roy's life will be held on Friday, August 28, 2015, 10:30 a.m., at the Eastmont Baptist Church. Arrangements are by Telford's Chapel of the Valley, East Wenatchee.