



## Russell Leroy Erickson

June 17, 1916 - July 24, 2009

Russell Erickson, 93, of East Wenatchee, passed away July 24, 2009. He was born to Carl & Hattie Erickson on June 17, 1916, the youngest of six children. Russell was raised in Squilchuck and spent the majority of his life with his wife Donna working on their family's fruit ranches. He quit ranching in 1984 when they moved to East Wenatchee.

Russell was a gentle man with an inner strength and character who was always willing to help others. Family, church and community were at the heart of his life. He is loved by many and will be greatly missed in our lives. Russell was a member of the First Baptist Church where he was a Sunday School Teacher, Trustee, Deacon, & a usher. He was a member of the beehive Reservoir Board of Directors, & the Huber's Care Group. He enjoyed making camping trips, the Lake Chelan family cabin, and a multiple states family road trip, family reunions, and celebrated all holidays with the family.

Some of his hobbies included metal crafting, cane making, woodworking, inventions, ranch & home improvements, mens day fishing, project planner & problem solver.

He is survived by his wife Donna; Daughter, Barbara Hepler, Son: Phillip (Carolyn) Erickson, nephews: Ron Johnson, Norman (Jaci) Storme, Greg Todd & Jeff Todd; grandchildren; Bryan Hepler, Siri Hepler, Heather (Brian) Dow, & Trisha (Matt) Winninghoff; and great-grandchildren; Justin Hepler, Ashley Hepler, Courtney Roberts, Kaizer Contreras, Gannon Dow and Gavin Winninghoff. P

Private family graveside services was held in the Wenatchee Cemetery prior to the Memorial service.

A Memorial Service will be held for family and friends at the Free Methodist Church at 1:00 P.M. on Thursday July 30, 2009.

# Tribute Wall



“ *What a calming spirit he was. So sorry for your loss.*  
*Always, Nancy*

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**Nancy (Mitchell) White** - July 30, 2009 at 12:50 PM