



## Virgil R. Hanford

January 1, 1927 - November 21, 2011

Virgil Rudolph Hanford was born January 1, 1927, to Franklin Douglas Hanford and Virgie Hattie Tilson Hanford in Omak, Washington. Virgil was the third of four children born to Frank and Virgie. At a young age the family moved to Chelan and then Wenatchee. He attend and graduated from Wenatchee High School. In 1944 at the height of WWII he joined the United States Marine Corp, attended boot camp at Camp Pendleton in California joining the 4th Marine Division in time to go into Iwo Jima and several other island in the South Pacific. He was discharged in 1947 returning to Wenatchee and marring Ellen Louise Southwick. Virgil and Ellen made there home in East Wenatchee when Grant Road was a dirt road moving to the Squilchuck in 1954. Virgil was a lifetime orchardist and moved the family one more time in 1969 to the beautiful Entiat Valley. Virgil passed away peacefully on November 21, 2011, with his loving wife Ellen at his side, in his home at Entiat.

Virgil is survived by his wife Ellen Louise Southwick Hanford of Entiat, his son Randal Virgil Hanford and wife Gayle Walker Hanford of Ravensdale, Washington, his daughter Kathryn Ann Hanford Wiley and husband Harold Wiley of Soap Lake, Washington, his grandchildren; Brooke M. Hanford Hemple and husband Jim of Lacey, Washington, Brian C. Hanford of Bonney Lake, Washington, and Joshua B. Hanford and wife Megan of Enumclaw, Washington and his Great Grandson Kyler Virgil Hanford also of Enumclaw,

Washington. Two nephews; Lanny Hanford of Kennewick and Frank Hanford of Twisp and numerous other great nieces and nephews and adopted by love kids.

He was preceded in death by his father Franklin Douglas Hanford, mother Virgie Hattie Tilson Hanford, and brothers Howard Hanford and Ralph "Bus" Hanford.

Memorials in Vigil's name may be made to: Chelan County Fire District #8, c/o Mike Asher, P. O. Box 517, Entiat, WA 98822.

There will be a viewing 9-12:00 on Monday November 28, 2011 at Telford's Chapel of the Valley in East Wenatchee. With grave side services to be held at the family cemetery in Sherman, Washington (Sherman is on the other side of Wilbur) on Tuesday afternoon at 1:30pm. Arrangements are by Telford's Chapel of the Valley, East Wenatchee, WA