

In Memory of...

William Lewis Cota



William Lewis Cota, known to family and friends as Bill, passed away on November 29, 2018 at the VA Hospital in Portland after a brief illness. He had celebrated his 75th birthday with family and friends on September 29.

Bill was born in Hillsboro on September 29, 1943 to Raymond and Beryl Smith Cota. He joined his sister Katherine "Bunny" in the family home in Vernonia. Later, he received his education in Sweet Home, Oregon. Bill joined the Navy at the age of 17, and was united in marriage to Mary Steers on September 11, 1961. Following their marriage, Bill and Mary made their home in Vernonia, and celebrated 57 years of marriage this past year.

Bill enjoyed hunting and fishing with family and friends. He left behind many wonderful memories with all who had the pleasure of spending time in the woods or on the water with him. Bill was a great storyteller, and was happiest when he was making other people laugh. He loved to tease and was known

for his big smile. For many years he was involved with the Frog Valley Breakers CB club, and enjoyed playing bunco with a great group of friends. Bill spent 50 years working in the woods or driving a log truck for several different companies. In his younger years, Bill was very involved in the Vernonia Logging Show and also emceed it. Bill and Mary have always been big supporters of the Vernonia High School athletics. They could be found in their special seats at all the home games, with a bag of chocolate chip cookies for the team. Bill was President of the Vernonia Booster Club for several years.

Bill attended the Vernonia Christian Church and was a favorite among the young children. He always had a supply of tootsie rolls in his shirt pocket, and handed them out with a big smile to all the kids before church.

He was preceded in death by his father Raymond Cota, his mother Beryl Smith Cota, and his sister Katherine "Bunny" Simmons.

Bill is survived by his wife Mary; and his three children and their spouses, Chris and Kala Cota, Cassandra and Jerry Budge, and Ray and Jennifer Cota, all of Vernonia.

Also surviving are his nine grandchildren, Kyle Cota and Kristin Johnston, Bryan and Eric Budge, Bobby, Brandon, and Shandee Lokken, and Riley and Paige Woodall; and eight great-grandchildren.

The family suggests that remembrances may be contributions to the Vernonia Education Foundation, 1000 Missouri Avenue, Vernonia, OR, 97064.

A Celebration of Life will be held at the Vernonia Christian Church, 410 North Street, Vernonia, Oregon, on January 4, 2019 at 11:00 am.

To sign the online guest book or to send a condolence to the family go to www.fuitenfrosehoyt.com.

Fuiten, Rose & Hoyt Funeral Home in Forest Grove is entrusted with the arrangements.

James R. "Jim" Ince



James R. "Jim" Ince, 92, a former longtime resident of the Vernonia community, late of Forest Grove, died Friday morning, November 16, 2018 at The Gardens Assisted Living Community.

Cryptside Services were held on Saturday, December 1, 2018 at 11:00 am at the Forest View Mausoleum, 1161 West Pacific Avenue in Forest Grove, with Rev. Marlene Metchler, vicar, of the St. Bede's Episcopal Church in Forest Grove. Burial Rites and Entombment followed at the mausoleum, with a Flag Honor Presentation under the direction of the American Legion Washington Post #2 in Forest Grove.

James Russell Ince was born June 22, 1926 in Kansas City, Missouri, the son of the late John Russell Ince and Evelyn May (Pfof) Ince. He was raised and received his education in Kansas City.

He was a Veteran of World War II, having joined the United States Navy on July 1, 1944. Jim served for two years, until receiving his honorable discharge on March 12, 1946 at the United States Naval Hospital in Dublin, Georgia, at the rank of Seaman, Second Class.

Jim was united in marriage to Elfrieda Annie Harp on November 15, 1947 in Alhambra, California. Following their marriage they resided in Palmdale, California until 1974 when they moved to Oregon, settling in the Vernonia community. They lived in Vernonia for 21 years, until 2003, when they moved to the Beaverton community.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Elfrieda, on July 27, 2007 in Portland, after celebrating over 59 years of marriage together.

Jim moved to the Forest Grove community in 2008 having been a guest resident at The Grove Retirement Community for several years.

While living in Palmdale, he worked as a mail carrier for the U.S. Postal Service for 18 years. After moving to Vernonia, Jim worked for Tektronix, Inc. in Beaverton for five years until he retired at the age of 63 years old. He and Elfrieda also served as the caretakers of the Fuiten, Rose & Hoyt Funeral Home in Vernonia for several years.

Jim was a lifelong member of the Episcopal Church having been an active member of St. Bede's Episcopal Church in Forest Grove.

He was also preceded in death by his father John Ince, and his mother and step-father Evelyn and Howard Lee Rizer; and his sister Joanne Johnston.

Survivors include his three children and their spouses, Russell and Lynn Ince of Aloha, Oregon, Doretta and Milton Dennis of Dunnellon, Florida, and Randy Ince of Forest Grove.

Also surviving are his eight grandchildren and their spouses, April and Brian Tovar of Redmond, Oregon, Jacob and Grace Ince of La Pine, Oregon, Erin and Zach Unger of Cornelius, Oregon, Denny Dennis of Terrebonne, Oregon, Douglas Dennis of Tigard, Oregon, Danyelle Dennis of Redmond, Oregon, Riki and Israel Colin of Vancouver, Washington, and Jami and Cesar Ramirez of Beaverton, Oregon; 21 great-grandchildren; and his three nephews and their spouses, Larry and Shelly Amerjan of Norfolk, California, Lonnie and Denise Amerjan of Fresno, California, and Carl and Rhonda Feyh of Palmdale, California.

The family suggests that remembrances may be contributions to the American Diabetes Association, Oregon Affiliate, Inc., 4380 SW Macadam Ave., #210, Portland, OR 97239 or to the Kidney Association of Oregon, 2142 NW Overton Street, Portland, OR 97210, in his memory.

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