



## Billie E. Sharp

November 2, 1939 - June 9, 2012

### BILLIE E. SHARP OBITUARY

Billie (Bill) E. Sharp went to be with the Lord on June 9th at his home in Moses Lake, Washington, with his loving family around him. Bill was born in Carroll Township, Ohio, on November 2nd, 1939, to Herbert and Noradell Sharp. He grew up in Lancaster, Ohio, and graduated from high school in Ohio before entering the Air Force on July 23rd, 1959. During his years in the Air Force, he was stationed at various places for his training, then stationed at Larson Air Force Base in Moses Lake, Washington. It was there that he met and married Barbara Groff, the daughter of a local farm family. They were married on August 12th, 1962, and got to go to the Seattle World's Fair on their honeymoon. They celebrated several anniversaries at the fair site. Bill and Barbara were blessed with two daughters and enjoyed raising them in the country by Moses Lake. They took many camping trips with their girls during their school years.

After his honorable discharge from the Air Force, Bill worked at various jobs in Moses Lake, including the sugar factory, a lumber supply and auto supply store, before back problems forced him to go to Big Bend Community College, where he received his accounting degree in 1976. He was blessed to get a job right after graduation as a bookkeeper. That job led to another bookkeeping job that he had to drive 40 miles each way every day. When that job ended, he started working as the office manager/bookkeeper at the Moses Lake Golf & Country Club. After sixteen years there, he decided it was time to retire.

About a year and a half after his retirement, Barbara also retired and they started traveling with their 27' camper and took a trip across the U.S. all the way to Washington, D.C., visiting friends and family on the way. Five years later they hooked up their camper and left on a trip which took them around the U.S. for a total of 12,414 miles. They visited with many friends and family, and enjoyed many wonderful sights, such as Niagara Falls, Yosemite National Park, Disney World, Mt. Rushmore and many more places. They enjoyed their campground memberships and the many good friends that they made while camping. They could make friends just about anywhere!

Bill was preceded in death by his parents, older brother Martin, baby sister Bonnie and many very special aunts and uncles. He is survived by his wife of 49 3/4 years, Barbara, daughter Becky (Neal) Simonds of Moses Lake, daughter Rhonda (Craig) Hummel of Covington, Washington, grandsons Joshua and Jacob Malecha of Moses Lake, grandson Geoffrey Hummel and granddaughter Alaina Hummel of Covington. He also leaves nephew Rick, his daughter Lyndsi, and nephew Doug in New Hampshire, half brother Robert (Polly) Sharp, his sons Nathan and Jason, half brother Greg, his son Carlton, as well as several cousins in Ohio and many wonderful friends.

A memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m., Saturday, June 16, 2012 at the Peninsula Community Church, 2403 W. Texas St., Moses Lake. Inurnment will be at the State Veterans Cemetery in Medical Lake, Washington. Please sign the guestbook or leave a note for the family at [www.kayserschapel.com](http://www.kayserschapel.com)  
Arrangements are in care of Kayser's Chapel & Crematory.

# Previous Events

## Service

JUN **16**. 11:00 AM (PT)

Peninsula Community Church  
2403 W. Texas St.  
Moses Lake, WA

# Tribute Wall



“ *Barb and girls, we are so sorry to hear about your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. We are happy that we were able to share your 50th anniversary with you, your family and friends. God bless you. Larry and Mary Groff###imported-begin##Larry and Mary Groff###imported-end##*

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June 15, 2012 at 10:53 PM



“ *BARB AND FAMILY,  
WE SEND OUR THOUGHTS,PRAYERS AND HUGS YOUR WAY.  
HE WILL BE GREATLY MISSED BY YOU ALL. HANG ON TO THE  
WONDERFUL MEMORIES THAT YOU HAD.*

*LOVE AND PRAYERS*

*GOD BE WITH YOU*

*DONNA###imported-begin##JOHN AND DONNA UHL###imported-end##*

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June 15, 2012 at 10:03 AM



“ *Barb, it was such a blessing to know Bill. His gentle manner and easygoing spirit made him an easy friend to have. You and Bill are one of the sweetest couples I know, and you will be together forever someday. For now, please take comfort in your friends, who love you very much, and your beautiful family. Hugs and prayers, - Julie###imported-begin##Julie Biel###imported-end##*

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June 14, 2012 at 07:23 PM



“ *Bob and Polly,  
I am so sorry to hear about your brother. You are in my prayers.  
Patsy Davis##imported-begin##Patsy Davis##imported-end##*

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June 14, 2012 at 03:45 AM



“ *There are never words to really express the odd assortment of feelings at a time like, is there? On one hand I am sad and flooded with memories of my fun loving second dad while growing up. But on the other hand I'm so happy God allowed a peaceful passing and quality time with those he loved! And what a sweet bonus I got to see him just weeks ago!! I will cherish that memory for sure. Love and hugs to you all - especially 'mom' Barb.##imported-begin##Yolanda Griffin##imported-end##*

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June 13, 2012 at 02:51 PM



“ *Dear Barb and Girl's , I'm so sorry for your loss and Heaven's gain , Uncle Bill will always be rememebred as a fun guy to be around , I'm sure We'll all meet again soon .*

*Love Rick##imported-begin##Rick Sharp##imported-end##*

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June 12, 2012 at 09:12 PM



“ *Dear Barbara  
I am saddened to hear of Bill passing.  
I will keep you in your family in prayer  
My love to you*

*DaLila##imported-begin##DaLila Merkley##imported-end##*

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June 12, 2012 at 06:47 PM



“ I send my sincere sympathy to Bill's family. I know what it is like to lose a spouse. Barb if you ned to talk feel free to call me or your girls can too. I knew him for a long time and hard to believe he is gone, but I will remember the good times. I always looked forward to you and bill coming here to visit me, always enjoyed the visits.##imported-begin##Pearl##imported-end##

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June 12, 2012 at 03:51 PM



“ BARB AND FAMILY: WHILE WE REJOICE AT BILL'S HOME GOING, WE HOLD YOU ALL CLOSELY IN PRAYER AS YOU WALK THROUGH THE VALLEY OF THE SHADOW OF DEATH. GOD IS WITH YOU AND GIVES YOU HIS GIANT STRENGTH! WE HAVE SO MANY WONDERFUL MEMORIES OF YOU AND BILL - MEMORIES THAT WILL LAST AND BRING WARMTH AND SMILES FOR MANY YEARS. MAY GOD CONTINUE TO HOLD YOU CLOSE TO HIS HEART! LOVE TO ALL, DALE AND CAROLE##imported-begin##DALE AND CAROLE NOVASKY##imported-end##

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June 12, 2012 at 10:10 AM