



Blaine K. Turner

September 30, 1919 - June 23, 2010

Blaine K. Turner, 90, Moses Lake resident, passed away Wednesday, June 23, 2010 after a yearlong battle with cancer of the pancreas. A lifelong resident of Eastern Washington, he was born in Oroville, Washington, the only child of George and Anna Turner of Chesaw, Washington.

Blaine graduated from Molson High School in 1939. He enlisted in the United States Army during World War II and served from March 25, 1941 to June 11, 1945. He was stationed at Kodiak, Alaska for most of his enlistment and obtained the rank of PFC, Artillery Division. While serving in the Army he married Helen E. Juday of Omak, Washington on February 18, 1942 in Orange, California. After his honorable discharge from the US Army Blaine ranched and served as U.S. Rural Letter Carrier in the Chesaw area for 10 years. In 1959 he transferred to Odessa, Washington where he ranched and carried mail for another 20 years. Blaine retired from the Postal Service in 1983 and relocated to the Block 40 area of Moses Lake where he and the family raised cattle and horses. In 1990, Blaine and Helen moved to their final retirement place in Cascade Valley and continued to tend small lots of cattle and horses on seven irrigated acres and 20 dry land acres in Chesaw, WA. The family continues to own a home in Chesaw and spends as much time as possible in Chesaw during the summer months. Blaine's lifelong passion has been for horse and cattle husbandry. He was an active member of the American Quarter Horse Association for 40+ years and a lifetime member of the Odessa chapter of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Blaine is survived by his wife Helen Turner; two sons and daughters-in-law, Ken & Dusty Turner of Soap Lake and Dean & Arlie Turner of Moses Lake; his granddaughter, Char Turner of Othello; and great-granddaughters Kylie & Brianna.

At his request there will be no services.

Tribute Wall



“ I was saddened to hear of Blaine's passing. My prayers to the family. I grew up on Blaine's mail route and remember watching the clock each day for that exact time that he would show up, each and every day, so that I could ride either my bike or horse down the lane to pick up the mail. I also remember spending many wonderful times on different horseback rides with both Blaine and Helen. Blaine was very gentle and full of knowledge when it came to horses. I admired him. My mom had bought a mare from Blaine years ago and both my sister and I both still have mares from the bloodline and so a small part of Blaine has always been a part of our growing up and now our kids. May you RIP Blaine. Cindy##imported-begin##Cindy Groh##imported-end##

July 14, 2010 at 05:43 PM



“ Hi,
I was saddened to hear of Blaine's passing. I have fond memories of our being neighbors as well as cousins when we were all a lot younger living and growing up in Hungry Hollow.
Wayne Turner
Okanogan, WA##imported-begin##Wayne Turner##imported-end##

July 04, 2010 at 10:08 AM



“ My heart is broken. Blaine was like one of my Dad's brothers. They served together in the Army, and were best friends all their lives. He and Dad, Roy Zeiler, are together in Heaven now. God's blessings on them, and Blaine's family. My sincere sympathy to Helen, Ken and Dean, and their families.##imported-begin##Barbara Zeiler Hall##imported-end##

July 03, 2010 at 06:17 PM



“ *Helen & Boys & their families. We were sorry to hear that Blain passed away but at least he is at peace now. We have some very fond memories, and Ted still talks about when Blaine sayed his life. so goodby friend. Bill, Ilene & Ted.##imported-begin##Bill Gates & ilene Gates Hirst & Ted Hirst##imported-end##*

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“ *Oh, what a special old cowboy Blaine was and what a wonderful friend. I will always remember him riding beautiful Quincy up the hill in Chesaw and becoming my favorite horse person. And the years he took care of my Audie while she was in college. He will always hold a special place in my heart.##imported-begin##Karen Sydnes##imported-end##*

July 01, 2010 at 09:59 PM



“ *sorry to her about your lose##imported-begin##Ron Harris##imported-end##*

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“ *I wil never forget the dead snakes we put in the mail box and waited for Blain to show up and watch to see what happended. He never did a thing just pulled them out put the mail in and took off. We thought for sure he would call our parents but he never did.*

Jack##imported-begin##Jack and Margaret Praetorius##imported-end##

July 01, 2010 at 03:45 PM



“ *Blaine was a good friend and customer. He will be missed.##imported-begin##Bill Dress##imported-end##*

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“ *I grew up on the mail route that Blaine had during his time in Odessa. I remember him being very prompt, you could set your watch by him. For years I rode a brown gelding I called "Blaine". He was out of one of the mares that Blaine owned. It was always a pleasure running into him and visiting. I will miss him, he was a good guy!##imported-begin##Wade King##imported-end##*

June 28, 2010 at 12:29 AM



“ *Blaine and Helen have always been very special to my family. I lived just down the road when they were in Odessa and he always made sure that my daughter Brandi stopped by to see the new foals every year. He will be missed. My prayers are with all of you.##imported-begin##Lori Zeiler-Carpenter##imported-end##*

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