



Daniel Hochstatter

March 15, 1922 - November 15, 2012

Daniel Hochstatter, passed away at his home on Lakeside Drive November 15, 2012. A Funeral Service will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, November 24, 2012 at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church, 200 N. Dale Road, Moses Lake. A reception will follow in CDC Center, Room 1. Please sign the online guestbook or leave a note for the family at www.kayserschapel.com

Arrangements are in care of Kayser's Chapel & Crematory, Moses Lake.

Daniel was born on March 15, 1922 in Wheeler, Washington to John D. Senior and Sophia (Deltzer) Hochstatter. He was the 12th of 13 children. Dan's parents immigrated to the Gloyd, North Stratford area from Odessa, Ukraine in 1902. They were of German decent. The family moved to Neppel (Moses Lake) in the mid twenties and as a young man, Dan worked as a mechanic and machinist for his older brother, John D. Junior.

Dan served in the Air-Sea rescue during World War II, and in April 1945 during an attempted rescue of a P-51 pilot, their PBY Flying Boat was shot up and sank. The crew spent 4 days on the North Sea on a rubber raft before being rescued.

Dan married the love of his life, Rebecca "Betty" Harris on September 18, 1948. She preceded him in death.

Dan served on the Moses Lake volunteer fire department in the 1940's and 1950's, and except for a brief period with Boeing, he spent his whole life as a motor winder at Hochstatter Electric. Dan made everything work at Hochstatter Electric. Everything in its place, all the tools sharpened, scrap in

the right bin. In his strongly opinionated fashion, he suffered from his less fastidious nephews, Cliff and Harold. "Pick up after yourself!! I ain't your mother," he would say. Dan retired last June at the age of 90.

He is survived by his daughters, Celeste Campos and Danielle (Vern) Smith; his granddaughters, Terynia and Llysa Smith; and his sister Darlene Esposito.

Previous Events

Service

NOV **24**. 10:00 AM (PT)

Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church
200 N. Dale Road
Moses Lake, WA

Tribute Wall



“ I never met Dan Hochstatter, unfortunately. He and my Dad, Theodore J Langan, were crewmates on 44-33915 when it was disabled in the North Sea on March 30th, 1945. My father once told me he loved all those men he flew with, and would never be as close to anyone else as he was to them. Anyone interested in reading about their ordeal, check: catalina.org.uk-history-44-33915.

Rest in peace, Dan. I wish I had called to talk to you. LessieJo Langan##imported-begin##Lessie J Langan##imported-end##

April 28, 2013 at 05:45 PM



“ Dear Celeste & Danielle,
I was so sorry to read of your dad's passing. Your family was such a source of security and comfort for grandma all the years you were neighbors. I pray for your healing and comfort in this difficult time. Lovingly, Dianne Ehr-Espenson##imported-begin##Dianne Ehr Espenson##imported-end##

December 05, 2012 at 12:35 AM



“ I am so very sorry to hear of Dan's passing. He was a patient of the Center for Sound Hearing, where I am the Business Manager and I saw him often and we chatted many, many times. He always came in with a smile and an easy going attitude. I will miss seeing him and visiting with him. My condolences to his family and many friends.##imported-begin##Kristen Fields##imported-end##

November 29, 2012 at 06:03 PM



“ Danielle & Celeste,

I am so sorry for the loss of your father. Comforting thoughts and prayers to you and your family at this difficult time.##imported-begin##Abe Shelby##imported-end##

November 28, 2012 at 11:10 AM



“ Dear Celeste and Danielle: So sorry to hear of your fathers passing. I haven't seen you two since your were fairly young. Your Dad and Betty were always so happy. Now they are together again. Love from your cousin, Joyce##imported-begin##Joyce Pleugh##imported-end##

November 24, 2012 at 12:39 AM



“ I am sorry to hear of Dan's passing. He was a great character. I always had him wind my motors at Hochstatter Electric. He will be greatly missed.##imported-begin##Mervin Dexter##imported-end##

November 19, 2012 at 06:32 PM



“ Dear Celeste and family:

It was my pleasure to have lived across the street from Dan and Betty for a number of years. I would sit in their living room, every now and then, and discuss various things, including politics and religion. I always found Dan and Betty to be genuinely honest, caring people... I miss both of them greatly, and share in the loss with the rest of the Hochstatter family and offer the following poem created by Canon Henry Scott Holland (1847-1918).

DEATH IS NOTHING:

*Death is nothing at all.
I have only slipped away into the next room. I am I and you are you.
Whatever we were to each other, that we still are.
Call me by my old familiar name.
Speak to me in the easy way which you always used.
Wear no forced air of solemnity or sorrow.
Laugh as we always laughed at the little jokes we enjoyed together.
Play, smile, think of me, pray for me,
Let my name be ever the household word that it always was.
Let it be spoken without effort,
Without the trace of a shadow on it.
Life means all that it ever meant, it
is the same as it ever was.
There is absolutely unbroken continuity.
Why should I be out of mind because I am out of sight? I am but
waiting for you, for an interval, somewhere very near, just around
the corner.
All is well.##imported-begin##Larry Godden##imported-end##*

November 18, 2012 at 06:53 PM



“ *Celeste and Danielle, I am so sorry to read of your dad passing. I am so glad you stopped by with him this summer. Our prayers are with the two of you. I am just up the alley if you need anything. Love you both, Joan Lobie*###imported-begin##*Joan & Dave Lobie*###imported-end##

November 15, 2012 at 05:56 PM