



Evald Leaf

May 3, 2024

Evald Leaf passed away peacefully at his home in Moses Lake at sunrise on May 3rd, 2024, just 90 days shy of his 102nd birthday. Just last month he was talking about spring fishing and what to plant in his annual garden. This was just like him as he was always busy.

Truthfully, he really wasn't ready to leave as he talked of the future and looked forward to many more years ahead, but age finally caught up with him.

Around 1907 Evald's parents, Charles (Karl August Lôf) Leaf and Hilda Gustafsson separately immigrated to United States from Sweden. They met, in the U.S., got married and owned a dairy farm in Issaquah, Washington. Evald, born in 1922, was the youngest of five children and attended School in Issaquah. After graduating from high school, he worked in the Seattle Shipyards until he was drafted to serve in the U.S. Army in World War II. While serving he obtained the rank of Warrant Officer. While serving in Southampton, England he met his first wife Norma Upstill, and they married after he returned from the war.

Evald arrived in Moses Lake in 1948 and operated a gas station and repair garage at the current location of Inland Body and Paint on Broadway. In 1962 Evald became the Volkswagen dealer for Moses Lake until he retired in the early 1990s.

In 1996 his wife, Norma, passed away. He then met and married Nona Sielaff in 2002. They traveled around North America and Europe, played cards, and had lots of fun get togethers at their home. Evald and Nona were always busy doing something interesting. Nona passed away in September, 2023.

Evald is survived by his sons, Ashley Leaf, Marvin (Carrie) Leaf and John (Jackie) Sielaff, grandchildren, Scott Leaf (Heather), Robert Leaf (Ivy) and Alex Leaf (Briana), and great grandchildren Juliana Leaf, William Leaf and Lux Leaf. In addition, Evald enjoyed the extended family through Nona including John and Jackie, five grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren and six great great grandchildren.

Evald is proceeded in death by his first wife Norma Leaf and son Anthony Leaf as well as his second wife Nona Sielaff-Leaf. He's also proceeded in death by his brothers John (Oscar), Art, Walt and George and his sister Vera. He spoke of his siblings often and dearly missed them all.

A service will not be held at this time. Please sign his online guestbook at www.kayserschapel.com

Tribute Wall

JM

“ Grandpa Evald was so loved by us all. I loved how he loved my Grandma Nona. He cherished her so much and was always trying to take care of her in any way he could. My favorite memories of Grandpa were when we'd get together and make lefse. He would get so tickled and excited to see all the shoes in the doorway and all the kids laid out in sleeping bags in the living room. After they'd all gone to bed he would get his camera out and take pictures of them all sprawled across the floor and just beam with the biggest smile. Grandpa Evald was a prankster and would get such a kick out of the kids showing him what Snap Chat filters were. He would laugh and laugh. We are all going to miss him dearly but oh what a life he lived. I'm grateful Grandma Nona and Grandpa Evald found each other and lived out their years spreading so much joy and in the process we were granted the love of such a wonderful man.



Josi McDaniel - May 14, 2024 at 03:38 AM

JD

“ Grandpa Evald was an incredible man. He was the shining example of a life well lived. Our family was so blessed to call him Grandpa. He always had a moment to talk to all “the little chickens” (all the great grandchildren) and share his life stories. His mischievous twinkle and shining smile will be sorely missed. Our family was so fortunate to share the last 25 years with him. He will live on in the memories and stories of his grandchildren, great grand children and great great grandchildren. Rest easy Grandpa.



Jacque Dompier - May 12, 2024 at 11:19 PM

LR

“ Evald was a wonderful man, and a true stand-up guy. A great asset to the community.

Larry Rigsby - May 11, 2024 at 04:30 PM

WL

“ Wendy & Lane lit a candle in memory of Evald Leaf



Wendy & Lane - May 11, 2024 at 12:47 AM

RR

“ I grew up across the street from the Leaf family. I remember Norma making chocolate chip cookies. Tony was my brother's age and Marvin my sisters age. Very kind neighbors. Good memories.
Robin Thomas Russell

Robin Thomas Russell - May 10, 2024 at 07:33 PM

RS

“ *Randall Stewart lite a candle in memory of Evald Leaf*



Randall Stewart - May 10, 2024 at 03:50 PM