



Pat Shafer

January 13, 1920 - November 28, 2008

Pat R. Shafer, 88, a fifty-seven year resident of Moses Lake, passed away November 28, 2008 at Monroe House where he has resided since June of 2007. Graveside services and interment will be held at 10:00 a.m., Saturday, December 6, 2008 at Canyon Hills Cemetery in Caldwell, Idaho. Viewing will be at Kayser's Chapel from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Wednesday and Thursday, December 3 and 4th.

Pat was born January 13, 1920 in Caldwell, Idaho to Eleanor Friedrich Shafer and John A. Shafer. He served in the military in WWII, joining the Army November 18, 1940. Pat served in Northern France, Ardennes, Rhineland and Central Europe. He was with the 183rd Field Artillery Group. He was honorably discharged October 28, 1945 at Fort Douglas, Utah. In 1951 he married Ivora M. Jones in Weiser, Idaho, and moved to Moses Lake that same year working for Terteling Construction.

Pat was an excellent craftsman, building many houses in Moses Lake. He also built overpasses and bridges in Washington State during his employment with North Central Construction, Swenson Construction and Snitley Brothers. Pat was a member of the Carpenter's Union 1849, BPOE #1724, American Legion and the Moose Lodge.

Survivors include his brother, Bill Shafer of Boise, ID; sister, Pauline "Betty" John of Clinton, UT; nephew, Jim Lynch of Palm Desert, CA; step-daughter, Vicki Groff, Moses Lake; grandson, Eric Groff and June, Moses Lake; great-grandchildren, Natasha and Quinten Groff, Moses Lake; sisters-in-law,

Jeannine Hogge and Mary Jones, Nampa, ID; brother-in-law, Gayle Jones, Greensboro, GA.

Pat was preceded in death by his parents, John and Eleanor; his wife, Ivora; sisters, Lucille Lynch and Hazel Barningham; and brother Chuck Shafer.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 3. 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM (PT)

Kayser's Chapel of Memories
831 S. Pioneer Way
Moses Lake, WA

Visitation

DEC 4. 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM (PT)

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Tribute Wall



“ As I said earlier today, I'm so sorry I missed sharing our deepest sympathy for you and your family. You have been through so much this past year.

God bless you and yours, Peggy###imported-begin##Peggy McNutt###imported-end##

January 03, 2009 at 05:40 PM



“ Condolences to family of my dear & one of my best friends going way back to grade school. Don Bell, Nampa Idaho###imported-begin##Donald C Bell###imported-end##

December 07, 2008 at 04:32 PM



“ My Grandfather what can i say, the man that took me fishing for the first time, the man that let me drive at 12, the man along with my dad that helped me to develop a good work ethic. I love you grandpa and will miss your humor and friendship.###imported-begin##Eric Groff###imported-end##

December 07, 2008 at 11:57 AM



“ I will remember Pat as having a strong work ethic. By example he taught me the importance of doing the best I could in all aspects of my work life. He worked hard, set high standards and yet had a generous nature. He also found time for play. I remember when I was a kid and Pat was in his mid-thirties, he bought me a pogo stick. We both learned to jump on it and had several contests to see which of us could "pogo" the longest, much to Mom's dismay. I will miss you Pat. May God bless you.

Vicki###imported-begin##Vicki Groff###imported-end##

December 04, 2008 at 11:57 AM



“ To the Family of Pat Shafer,
Mr. Shafer was my client in a real estate transaction. I visit with him several times and enjoy it very much. I brought my 15 year old son over on one occasion; I felt that it was important for him to meet this gentleman that even in his later years was so hard working and was so involved in what was going on in the world. He was very well informed on all that was happening in ML and always had some interesting take on it. I specially enjoyed it when he spoke about his wife. He would get a smile in his face and talk about her with such admiration and love. Doing business with him was very interesting; he had his own ideas. It was specially interesting that he would not leave the house and whenever the home was shown, he made a point of telling the buyers that they were crazy to think of paying that much for the property... too much. When it came time to negotiate the price he got exactly the price he wanted and would not give an inch. I chuckle everytime that I think of that and so would he. Representing him was a challenge but I enjoyed it very much. He in a way reminded me of my father-in-law for whom I had great respect and love; sometimes gruff and yet a Teddy Bear inside. May the memories of good times shared bring you comfort and peace. Receive my most sincere sympathy, Graciela Dano##imported-begin##Graciela Dano##imported-end##

December 03, 2008 at 02:08 PM



“ My sympathy, Vicki. May God surround you with His comfort.##imported-begin##Wendy Swindoll##imported-end##

December 02, 2008 at 11:24 AM



“ Our sincerest sympathies and prayers to you.##imported-begin##Ed & Paula Stout and Joanne Zanter##imported-end##

December 01, 2008 at 09:29 PM



“ Pat was our friend we will miss him. To the family we extend our prayers.##imported-begin##Robert M Trask Jr and Sr##imported-end##

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