



Robert D. McAlavy

January 16, 1931 - September 4, 2008

Robert Darrel McAlavy, 77, longtime Moses Lake resident, passed away Thursday, September 4, 2008 at Samaritan Hospital. He was born January 16, 1931 in Sylvan Grove, Kansas to Ray and Mary McAlavy, the 3rd of 7 children. The family moved to Jewell, Kansas in 1948 and he graduated in 1950 from Jewell High School. He married Maxine Louder on November 16, 1951. They enjoyed 56 years together.

Bob joined the U.S.A.F. on January 1, 1952. He served overseas with the 8th Troop Carrier Squadron. He earned the Korean Service, United Nations, National Defense and other medals while in the service. He was discharged in December 1955 at Larson Air Force Base, Moses Lake.

Bob began his civilian employment as an A & E mechanic for Boeing Co. and wanting to stay in Eastern Washington he began his career as a heavy equipment and crane operator through the Equipment Operators Union #370. This construction career led him to seven dams, bridges, canal and highway building projects underway throughout the Northwest. For a time he was a self-employed truck owner/operator.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his brother, Theo Ray; and his sister Alice Irene Ragland.

Bob is survived by his wife, Maxine; his sons, Robert A and Clark and Lynn McAlavy; daughters, Lori Buchmann and Janet Scott; Grandchildren, Gene and Timothy Buchmann, Connie Bellows, Jessica and Nick McAlavy and Magan and Morgan Scott; 5 great grandchildren; brother, Ralph; sisters, Lila

Mizner, Sylvia Rutledge and Donna Perkins and his dog Jack.

Memorial services with military honors will be held at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, September 13, 2008 at Kayser's Chapel of Memories with Rev. Steve Rice officiating. Arrangements are in care of Kayser's Chapel and Crematory, Moses Lake. You may sign the guestbook or leave a note for the family at www.kayserschapel.com.

Previous Events

Service

SEP **13**. 10:00 AM (PT)

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

Tribute Wall



“ I would like to take this opportunity to express our deepest condolences to the McAlavy family for their loss. I would also like to take this time to offer my heartfelt sympathy to Clark and Lynn. Clark has always been a dear friend to me and I deeply regret my not being able to be there for him as he was for my family.##imported-begin##AJ Shearer and Family##imported-end##

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“ I want to extend my deepest sympathy to the family of Bob McAlavy. I used to work with him in years past and will miss his friendship. Ed Sharp##imported-begin##Ed Sharp##imported-end##

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“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you all in this time of sorrow, may the lifetime of memories help you through the next chapter in your lives and know that we are here to help you in anyway that we can. Fred and Trenna Rothenbuhler##imported-begin##Fred and Trenna Rothenbuhler##imported-end##

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