



Rodney Watson

August 17, 1917 - September 26, 2010

Rodney Watson, 93, born August 17th, 1917 to Clarence and Hennie Watson in Jamestown, ND, went home to be with the Lord on September 26th, 2010. He will always be remembered as a man who loved his family, his country, the outdoors and the Lord. Rodney's death was preceded by his wife of 50 years Francis Watson. He is survived by his brother Cleon Watson; children Steve Watson, Gail Watson, Cindy Akins and husband Tom, Sandy Taggares and husband Pete; grandchildren Aaron Watson, Jamie Paul, Peter Taggares and Jessica Taggares. He also leaves behind 5 great-grandchildren.

Rodney spent his childhood in Modesto, California and graduated from Modesto High School. He attended Modesto Junior College where he played basketball and won a Junior College Championship in boxing in the 135 lbs weight division.

He served in the Army Air Corps during WWII from 1942-1945 as a pilot of P-38 and P-51 airplanes. Rodney flew over 100 missions including D-Day and clocked over 300 hours of air combat.

In 1953, Rodney and his wife Francis moved to Warden, Washington where he worked in construction and later farming. He was an avid hunter and fisherman and had a passion for gardening. Rodney's lifelong hobby was taxidermy, which he passed along to his son and grandson. He was a long-time member of the Warden First Baptist Church.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, October 1st, 2010 at 11 AM at the Warden First Baptist Church, 1017 S. Grant St, Warden, WA 98857. Viewing

will take place at Kayser's Chapel of Memories in Moses Lake on Thursday, Sept. 30th from noon until 7:00 p.m.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **30**. 12:00 PM - 7:00 PM (PT)

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

Service

OCT **1**. 11:00 AM (PT)

Warden First Baptist Church
1017 S. Grant St.
Warden, WA

Tribute Wall



“ *To the Watson Family:
My thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Rodney will live on in
all of our memories. God Bless
Beverly Carroway###imported-begin###Beverly Carroway###imported-
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“ *So sorry to hear of your Dad's passing. I regret that we won't be
able to make it to the service. I'm glad that we had the opportunity a
year or so ago to let our dad's visit. Our thoughts and prayers are
with you and your family.
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“ *It is my pleasure to have known Rodney for the past 20 yrs or more.
His passing saddens me but I am happy knowing that he lived such
a long and full life. He was a member of that truly great generation
to which we all owe so much.
God bless you Rodney. Till we will meet again --*

*Gary Carroway
Anchorage, Alaska###imported-begin###Gary Carroway###imported-
end##*

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“ I'm truly sorry for your loss, your family will be in my thoughts and prayers ..*###imported-begin###Nicole Franz###imported-end##*

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“ Tom, Cindy and Family,

Our deepest sympathies in your time of grief. Your loss is also a nation's loss for your father's sacrifice and service during the Second World War. We love you! Rick, Donna and Mom.###imported-begin###Rick and Donna Reynolds and Jean Reynolds###imported-end##

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