



## Bernard Anton Ridder

November 23, 1923 - June 20, 2017

BERNARD "BERNIE" ANTON RIDDER November 23, 1923 ~ June 20, 2017  
Bernard was the third child of William "Bill" and Mary Ridder. Although born in Portland, OR, he lived in or around Wilsonville, OR until he enlisted in the Army in 1943. He met his future wife, Miriam Spear, while stationed at Winter General Hospital in Topeka, KS. They were married in 1946, moved to Vancouver, WA in 1947, then to Hazel Dell in 1949. They spent the rest of their lives in the same house. Bernie was a 35-year employee at the VA (Barnes) Hospital where he worked in the Rehabilitation Department. He enjoyed, hunting, fishing, trailering, building things and a good joke. He was a member of the Hazel Dell Grange (55 years), an active member of the Good Sam Trailer Club (40 years), American Legion - Post 14 (45 years) and the Voiture 99 (40 years). Bernie is survived by his son, Gary Ridder, Vancouver, WA; daughter, Joyce Titus, Madison, MS; grandchildren: Bryan Titus, Nashville, TN, Courtney Davis (Jamie), Madison, MS; two great-granddaughters, Cassidy and Clara; several nieces and nephews, friends and beloved canine companion, Missy. He was preceded in death by his wife of 64 years, Miriam; his parents; his siblings: Henry Ridder and Christine Cereghino; and his son-in-law, Fred Titus. Sincere appreciation to all for the many kind expressions of support and encouragement. Special recognition is extended to Dave and Sharon Shattuck and to ComForcare Home Care - both owners and staff, particularly Eleanor. A Memorial Service will be held Sat., Oct. 28, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. in the Boxcar Room of 40 & 8, 7607 NE 26th

Ave., Vancouver, WA. (There is also an entrance off 78th St). For additional directions, 360-574-3872. Donations in Bernie's name could be made to the Vancouver Humane Society or a charity of your choice . Please sign his guest book at: [www.columbian.com/obits](http://www.columbian.com/obits).

# Tribute Wall



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