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July 17, 1924 - December 27, 2015

LEE POWERS July 17, 1924 ~ December 27, 2015 Lee Powers, 91, died on Dec. 27, 2015 in Vancouver, WA. He was born in Waxahachie, TX on July 17, 1924. He attended North Texas Agricultural College (a branch of Texas A&M) in Arlington, TX. Lee entered the U.S. Navy in 1943. He was stationed in Norfolk, VA where he met his wife Marge, who was in the WAVES. They were married on Aug. 11, 1944. Upon discharge from the Navy, Lee was employed by Gulf Oil Corporation. They lived in Texas for 14 years, then in Tulsa and Claremore, OK for 27 years. Lee was an accomplished musician. As an avocation, he played in dance bands in Forth Worth, TX. When he was transferred by Gulf Oil to Odessa, TX, he formed his own band. The band played for dances and special occasions and was featured on a weekly program on KMID-TV in Midland, TX. Lee was then transferred to Tulso, OK, where he joined a small engineering company as a sales engineer. His honesty, integrity, and topnotch knowledge of his products made him a successful mechanical engineer. He retired in 1987. Lee and Marge moved to Vancouver, WA in 1988. He was an active member of Trinity Lutheran Church where he sang in the choir and the men's quartet and served as a Eucharistic minister. Lee loved to entertain the folks of "The Happy Lunch Bunch" at his church. He was an avid golfer who never let age prevent him from enjoying the game he loved, even though in his later years "golf" consisted of hitting balls on the putting greens. Another of his hobbies was the landscaping of his property, always an attractive complement to his home. Lee is survived by his

son, Randy (Beverly) Powers of Oklahoma City, OK; and daughter, Karen Oliver of Big Bear Lake, CA. He was preceded in death by his wife, Marge. A Celebration of Life service will be held at Trinity Lutheran Church on Sat., Jan. 9, 2016 at 3:00 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to Children's Ministries at Trinity Lutheran Church, 309 W. 39th St., Vancouver, WA 98660 or to Clark County Food Bank. Please sign his guest book at: [www.columbian.com/obits](http://www.columbian.com/obits).

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