



## Earl Gene Bork

June 2, 1940 - March 4, 2023

### EARL ""JOE"" BORK

Earl ""Joe"" Bork, 82, passed away peacefully at home surrounded by family on March 4 after a brief illness. Born in Calumet, MI, to Ben and Ellen Bork, the family eventually settled in Vancouver. He was a graduate of Hudson's Bay High School (1958) and went on to attend Clark College before entering the Coast Guard. Joe was an avid athlete, lettering in football, basketball, and baseball while in high school. Sports continued to be an integral part of his life after graduation, playing in men's softball leagues and later coaching his daughter's softball team. After leaving the Coast Guard, he began work at Tidland Corp. in Camas, working his way from machinist to Shop Supervisor before his retirement in 2002. Reconnecting with his high school sweetheart, Rogene Mendenhall, in 1979, they blended their families and enjoyed camping trips to their river property as well as numerous motor home trips throughout the country where anyone, family or friends, were welcome. Over the years, Joe was a ""Dad"" to so many people that came into his life, a testament to the person he was. He had a rich life, meeting regularly with friends and family for coffee, happy hour, or just to hang out. Joe is survived by his four children, Teresa (Jeff) Radcliffe, Tracy (Deborah Mathers) Bork, Lenise (Mike) Taylor, and David Bussing; grandchildren, Maddux and Jackson Radcliffe and Jennifer and Luke Taylor; sister, Mary Ellen (Roy) Sandburg; stepson, Errol Bradley; furry companion Willie; and innumerable friends and family. A graveside service will be held at Park Hill cemetery, followed by

coffee. Final arrangements to be determined. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Wounded Warriors or a charity of your choice.

# Tribute Wall

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“ We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ Evergreen Memorial Gardens Cemetery, Funeral Chapel and Crematory

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**A Memorial Tree was planted for Earl Gene Bork - March 07, 2023 at 12:00 AM**