



Everett Warren Belden

February 1, 1927 - February 21, 2017

EVERETT WARREN "BUD" BELDEN February 1, 1927 ~ February 21, 2017 ~ Bon Voyage, Buddy ~ Everett Warren "Bud" Belden lived his entire 90 years in this Rosemere (Rose Village now) neighborhood, spending 63 of them in the same neighborhood house, within blocks of where he was born at home. He grew up here when the roads were all dusty and rail trams took us downtown. His Mother Mertyl was a frontier farm girl down in Oregon and Father John a local master of many trades. They gave us a huge family with 6 sisters and one brother: Esther, Irene, Leila, Arletta "Chubby", Arlene "Tiny", Linda and Wayne. All still reside here, but for Wayne and Tiny, who also recently passed. He joins our Mother, Maureen (Kathleen Elsie), and will be resting with her. Bud enjoyed the company of soldiers down at our Fort Vancouver and watched Tom Mix perform his cowboy magic when 4th Plain Blvd. was a path. They dammed up Burnt Bridge Creek to build a swimming hole just off St. John's bridge, now all gone. He gave us a solid sense of Family and Community, departing Vancouver, WA only to go fight World War II with our U.S. Navy's underwater demolitions teams in the Pacific. I suspect he passed along his cooking skills on board ship, as they cruised from battle to battle. Bud made his own way with Mayflower Dairy (Dairygold) as a master machinist and mechanic, often advising the machine manufacturers in how to keep their own machines running. He gave us our milk in the half gallon containers (and pints and half-pints). A special thank you to Karen Lock-Clanton for her deep devotion to seeing Bud through these final 4 years. She

brought to him both a poetry of life and smiles on his face until the absolute last sleep. His step-sons, Brian, Jim and Steve Johnson, have a deep and abiding sense of Family and Community for having him in their lives these past 46 years. Come celebrate Family and Community with us at Evergreen Memorial Gardens Chapel, Mon., Feb. 27 at 12:30. Please sign his guest book at: www.columbian.com/obits.

Tribute Wall



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“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you. May your memories help get you through this difficult time. Let us know if there is anything we can do for your family. Don and Mary Benton

Don and Mary Benton - February 26, 2017 at 12:00 AM