



## Harold "Bud" Vincent Cheney

March 22, 1927 - January 18, 2019

Harold (Bud) Vincent Cheney, of Vancouver, Washington, passed away on January 18, 2019. He was born March 22, 1927, in San Francisco, California, to Irene and Harold Cheney.

Bud is survived by one son, Don C. Cheney, Vancouver, WA. Bud was preceded in death by wife Donna Clark Cheney; daughter Susie Cheney Duhamar; and son Ron C. Cheney.

Bud was quite athletic in his youth. He ran hurdles in high school track, and danced on roller skates in his early 20s. After high school, he served in the U.S. Navy in WW II as a Seabee in the Pacific theater. The Seabees provided close support of invasion forces, taking part in unloading supplies, and quickly constructing or restoring harbors, airstrips and other facilities on newly captured islands. Bud eventually came to Vancouver, WA, where he met and married Donna Jean Clark of Dalia, Kansas. He also served in the Army, Coast Guard, and Air Force Reserves. Bud worked for Pacific Northwest Bell Telephone Company in Portland, OR, and Vancouver, WA, where he retired as a Plant Engineer.

Bud loved growing flowers, especially roses. More recently, he enjoyed growing irises, calla lilies, and tulips in his garden. His hobbies were building model cars and airplanes, as well as building model train landscapes. He also

collected model cars, model fire engines, and coins.

Bud was well-known for his sense of humor and large repertoire of jokes and stories. His aim in life was to make people smile or laugh, and he often struck up conversations with total strangers. His motto was, "Strangers are friends I haven't met yet."

His Memorial Service will be held at Evergreen Memorial Gardens, 1101 NE 112th Ave., Vancouver, WA, on Saturday, February 9th, at 10:00 a.m.

In lieu of sending flowers, Bud's son Don requests that donations be made to the Humane Society for SW Washington, Vancouver, WA.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *My best memories of Bud all includes his ability to tell jokes that always brought a smile to my face. He was such a kind and gentle man, I am so blessed that I got to know him. I am going to miss him so, Rest In Peace Bud.*

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**Kathy Ryan** - January 25, 2019 at 12:00 AM