



Marvin Jay McLachlan

October 8, 1920 - December 27, 2010

Marvin Jay McLachlan of Vancouver, WA, passed away peacefully Dec. 27, 2010, at the age of 90. Marvin and his identical twin Melvin were born in Lake Andes, SD on Oct. 8, 1920. Marvin and Melvin moved to Seattle in 1941 and went to work building B-17 bombers for Boeing. After Pearl Harbor they joined the Army Air Corp and spent the next four years as B-17 mechanics at a flight-training base in Hobbs, NM. While on a short leave, Marvin and Melvin married their sweethearts, Melba Mohler and Lela Thornton in a double wedding on Dec. 24, 1945 in Vancouver, then settled here after the war. Marvin retired in 1979 from Crown Zellerbach in North Portland after 24 years of service. After retiring, Marvin loved to go camping in his RV and socializing with his South Dakota friends. "Your stories and your humor will be missed." He is survived by his son, Jay (Ina) McLachlan; and daughter, Lana Thomas, all of Vancouver; five grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren. Marvin was preceded in death by his wife, Melba; his parents; and six brothers.

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