



## Richard Arthur Crang

September 4, 1925 - November 1, 2010

Richard passed away peacefully on Monday, November 1 with his loving wife, Gloria by his side, and children and grandchildren close by. He was born in Los Angeles on September 4, 1925 to Richard Sr. and Edna Crang, and moved to Portland with his mother in 1926. After graduating from Washington High School in Portland, Richard enlisted in the Marines in 1943, and served his country in the Pacific during World War II. He participated in operations against enemy forces in Saipan, Tinian, and Okinawa, and the occupation of Japan after their surrender in 1945. Upon returning to Oregon in 1946, Richard enrolled in college and graduated from the University of Oregon in 1950 with his teaching degree. He played baseball for the Ducks while going to school. He raised five children with his wife Betty. Richard began teaching in Damascus, Oregon then moved to the Oregon Coast to teach in Bay City. In 1962, he began teaching in Vancouver at McLoughlin Junior High School, where he retired in 1985. Richard married Gloria Morrison in 1992 and spent his retirement years with her traveling - where he especially loved the Oregon Coast and the Cascade Mountains. They made a very special trip to Saipan in 1996, where Richard returned to the island where he had fought for their liberation from the Japanese. He is survived by his wife Gloria, and his children: Jeffrey (Mary) of Mountain View, California, Gregory of Vancouver, Washington, Michael (Laura) of Skamania, Washington, Sherrie Geiger (Thomas) of Camas, Washington, and Gary Crang of Vancouver. Richard holds a special place in the hearts of his grandsons as well: Stephen, Shane,

Kendall, Josiah and Samuel.

# Tribute Wall



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**Evergreen Memorial Gardens** - July 03, 2025 at 09:13 PM



“ *Dick - You are an inspiration to me, and to Shane and Sam. When you first held Shane, shortly after he was born 20 years ago, the surprise and smile on your face is what I will remember most. You were a wonderful grandfather to both Shane and Sam; and they will miss you immensely. Your caring shows through in your Daughter - who I was lucky enough to marry and join your family. Tom Geiger*

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**Tom Geiger** - November 09, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dad, We will never forget all of the wonderful memories and events you shared with us throughout your life. Your influence has left a positive contribution on all of us on our day to day experiences. We will greatly miss you and never forget you for the rest of our lives. Love, Jeff, Mary and Steve*

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**Jeff Crang** - November 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM