



Richard Norton Gardner

July 8, 1925 - December 11, 2011

RICHARD N. GARDNER July 8, 1925 ~ December 11, 2011 Richard N. Gardner, 86, peacefully went to be with the Lord on Sun., Dec. 11, 2011, at home surrounded by his family. He was born on July 8, 1925 in Seattle, WA to George and Dorothy Gardner. He moved to Brush Prairie, WA in 1929 and remained in the Brush Prairie/Battle Ground area for his entire life. Dick joined the Navy after graduating from Battle Ground High School where he proudly served his country during WW II. He married Betty Anderson and they began a full life, raising four children, homesteading in Idaho, farming and enjoying many activities of hunting, fishing and traveling. Dick and Betty owned and operated Dick's Drive In Dairy for many years beginning in 1959. At the time, it was only one of three Grade A dairies in the state of Washington to produce, process and sell milk. He had a love of animals and farming. Dick was a loving family man, devoted to his wife of 64 years and to his children and grandchildren. He was blessed to have many lifelong friends. A longtime member of Brush Prairie Baptist Church, he was also a volunteer fireman with the City of Battle Ground for many years. Dick is survived by his wife, Betty; son, Rex (Pam) Gardner; daughters, Diane (Steve) Evans, Marlis (Tom) Dewey and Debbie (Hal) Heffner. Special thanks to the Kaiser Hospice Team and his caregivers. A memorial service will be held on Fri., Dec. 16, 2011 at 1:00 p.m. at the Brush Prairie Baptist Church. Memorial donations may be sent to Disabled American Veterans at www.dav.org.

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“ Dear Gardner Family, We heard through my brother Dan today that Dick has passed away. Our prayers are with you at this time. So many fun memories of growing up next door to all of you. Mom, Ron (youngest brother) and I were just having a nice time remembering all of you. Our love to all of you, Pam

Pam Joner Nuernberg - December 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM