



Thomas Stoddard Boerke Sr.

December 10, 1923 - May 10, 2010

Thomas Boerke, Sr., passed away peacefully on May 10, 2010. At the time of his death, he was living in Vancouver, Washington. Tom was born in San Francisco to Isabel Caldwell and Francis Boerke and raised in Boston, earning his degree in Pulp and Paper Management from the University of Maine. He traveled the world as a Pulp and Paper Machine Consultant. After retirement, he continued to travel with his wife, Bugs Ellis-Boerke. Tom and Bugs were members of the Royal Oaks Country Club. Tom enjoyed golf, travel, books, and collecting Santa Claus figures. He is survived by his wife of 12 years, Bugs Ellis-Boerke; son, Thomas Boerke, Jr. of Camas, Alison Matthewman of Evergreen, Colorado; step-son, Cleve Ellis of Vancouver; four grandsons; three granddaughters; and one great-granddaughter. Bugs would like to send special thanks to Tom's caregivers and the Quarry staff. He will be missed.