



## Clarence E. Carnahan

January 16, 1927 - November 4, 2022

Clarence (Bud) Carnahan was born January 16, 1927, in Caldwell, Idaho to Ruby Bennett and Clarence Carnahan, Sr. He served at the end of WWII as an army medic on the hospital ship, Hope. He married the love of his life, Barbara Roberts, in 1950 just prior to starting medical school at Loma Linda University. He worked as a General Practitioner in Missouri (where daughter Jane was born) prior to specialty training in Psychiatry at Harding Hospital and Ohio State University in Ohio (where son Brent was born). In 1963 he joined the Psychiatry faculty at Loma Linda University Medical School. While in Southern California they raised their 2 children as he enjoyed his many hobbies: tennis, marathon running, motorcycling, skiing, golf. He was honored to work with veterans in California and this continued when he moved back to the NW in 1991, continuing to work into his 80's. His life was grounded in his Christian faith, and he lived his life in gratitude. He died peacefully in his Bend home surrounded by his family on Friday, November 4, 2022. He is survived by his daughter Jane, her husband Daniel Hinshaw, sons Luke & Nicolas (wife Sara) as well as son Brent, his wife Laura, son Duane & daughter Leslie. In lieu of flowers consider donations to Partners in Care Hospice or Central Oregon Veterans Organization.

A graveside service for Bud will be held this Saturday, November 12, 2022, at 12:00PM at Pilot Butte Cemetery (Bend, OR). Funeral services will be held at

Foundry Church (60 NW Oregon Ave, Bend, OR 97703) at 1:00PM following the graveside service.

# Tribute Wall

JB

“ I knew Dr. Carnahan when we worked together at the Bend VA outpatient clinic. He was a kind soul and will be missed. He helped me understand what was important in life and even though it has been more than 12 years since our last in person encounter, I will miss him. The world will miss him and his dedication to service.

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**Jason Buys** - April 13, 2023 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ My Journey of gratitude with Bud

*I was blessed by many years of fellowship with Bud that began as he and my father were classmates at Loma Linda when I was born. Bud would carry me around at a very young age so that I could switch lights on and off. Over the years this developed into an appreciation of electricity and electronics where I was building stereos in high school and later in anesthesiology appreciating the complexity of the electronics required in that field.*

*Most recently , we enjoyed frequent calls discussing books that we were reading. Buds mindset was always one of "Gratitude."*

*Two books stand out (there were many), Union with Christ by Rankin Wilbourne, where he reveals our union with Christ powers our entire Christian life and is our path to joy and peace.*

*This elevated our "Gratitude" to "Confident Gratitude."*

*The second book of influence was Unshakable Kingdom and Unchanging Person by E Stanly Jones where he develops the understanding and reality that our identity with Christ and partnership with Christ in advancing His Kingdom makes us unshakable as well.*

*This took us to the place of "Unshakable Gratitude" and "Messengers of Hope" because of our Kingdom perspective.*

*I am so grateful for Buds interest in learning and faithfully sharing together so that we could have that confident life in Jesus and we could be a part in Jesus receiving His rightful inheritance, His beloved Bride, restored and never to be separated again.*

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**Dennis Crane** - November 14, 2022 at 12:00 AM

RD

“ I first met Doc through the Bend Band of Brothers. He was highly respected for his work with the military dating as far back as WW II.

*I remember several of the fascinating stories he shared about medically helping and debriefing Allied prisoners of war, while also interviewing captured enemy soldiers who had tortured them.*

*Doc was well known as a consummate professional with a gentle disposition; he was compassionate, honest and did not hesitate to share his wisdom with others.*

*Only God knows, how many lives this humble Christian man saved, or touched, with his kindness and sage advice. His many decades of faithful service to his country and fellow man will be long remembered.*

*As famed teacher and author Helen Keller so aptly said, "The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched... they are felt by the heart."*

*Thank you Doc, for touching so many of ours.*

*Until we meet again...*

*Bob Dent*

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**Robert Dent** - November 12, 2022 at 12:00 AM

AN

“ Clarence E. Carnahan

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**Anonymous** - November 11, 2022 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ Doc was truly a warm, compassionate, kind and humble man who really cared for his Soldiers. Through him I learned how to be a good man. He had always treated my wife and I like family. The reflection of the Lord was shining brightly with Dr. Carnahan. It was obvious to feel that God was always working through him with grace, his soothing and comforting voice which really would touch your soul. He had a way of lifting up our spirits, and reminded us to give thanks and gratitude each and everyday. It was an honor to know him and call him our friend. He will always be with us. He is at Home at last with his beloved wife, Barbara, and his Savior.  
The Smith's

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**C Smith** - November 11, 2022 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ Clarence Carnahan will remain in our hearts forever.

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**Mark & Debora Richards** - November 11, 2022 at 12:00 AM

“ A Tribute to a dear friend, Clarence (Bud) Carnahan

*I first met Bud in the 1970's when we were both on the Faculty of the School of Medicine at Loma Linda University. It may have seemed an unlikely pairing, since he was a Psychiatrist and I an Ob/Gyn, but we developed a close friendship through our shared interest in a healthy lifestyle and especially in exercise. We established a regular running schedule and met two to three times a week to run. We trained together for a marathon and, in fact, I did my first two marathons with Bud (he finished ahead of me both times)-he went on to do six more. During our long training runs, I had the opportunity to get to know Bud very well. He impressed me as a kind, loving husband to his wife Barbara and a caring father to his precious children.*

*When the California Legislature passed a law in the 1970's requiring all eight medical schools to develop a curriculum to teach sex education, LLU asked Bud and me to spearhead the project. As we began development of the curriculum, I had opportunity to see Bud in academic and leadership roles as we met with representatives from the eight California medical schools to consult with each other on how best to meet this legislative requirement. Bud's innovative leadership style and natural ability to interact with people greatly facilitated the process.*

*I last heard Bud's voice on October 27, 2022 when he returned a call on my birthday and recorded on voicemail, just days before he died. He was having a good day and talked about rejoicing. This was a favorite theme, along with praise and gratitude. As long as I have known Bud, I have seen him pursue these ideals as he rejoiced and praised God and lived a life filled with gratitude. I believe this is why he always had a positive attitude, which tended to uplift his friends and those around him. Even though he was terminally ill, he found the strength to encourage me on my birthday. It has been a privilege to have known Bud and to have him for a close friend.*

*Jerome Niswonger*

**Jerome Niswonger** - November 10, 2022 at 12:00 AM

BW

“ I first met "Bud" at a neighborhood Christmas party and discovered he was a fellow ham radio operator. We began enjoying walks around the neighborhood together and I found we had much in common. We had many wonderful conversations about ham radio, running marathons, riding motorcycles and other topics of interest to both of us. I was fascinated and a little jealous that he had made several long distance trips that I had only dreamed of on his BMW motorcycle . He visited his wife every day while she was in assisted care and later hospice. He was always greeted by others in the neighborhood as a friend and he seemed to know everyone as well as the history of the River's Edge area. His mind and his hearing were perhaps sharper than mine to the end with seemingly total recall of events and people in the distant and recent past. My life is enriched with the conversations we had on those walks. I will miss them.

**Bob Weed** - November 10, 2022 at 12:00 AM

PW

“ Loved that man for his gentle kindness when I had downsized from a previous home shared with my late husband and was about to move into the new one at Rivers Edge. He made me feel very welcome and even showed me his home. Have never forgotten that. More recently he glued a rubber pad onto the bottom of my walking stick. I shall miss not seeing him walk around the neighborhood. Watch over us Doc - you are the new bright star in the sky and someone else to converse with in the ever expanding Universe. Be seeing yer Priscilla

**Priscilla Welch** - November 09, 2022 at 12:00 AM

AC

“ *We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ Niswonger-Reynolds Funeral Home*

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**A Memorial Tree was planted for Clarence E. Carnahan** - November 08, 2022 at 12:00 AM