



Ralph Garibay

July 23, 1919 - June 6, 2013

Ralph Garibay, a long-time Bend resident, passed away on June 6, 2013. Ralph was born July 23, 1919 in Cuernamero, Guanajuato, Mexico to Antonino and Juana Garibay. He grew up in Manhattan, Kansas, where he developed his love for working with wood at a very early age. Ralph worked as a carpenter for various contractors in the Manhattan area until he joined the Army in 1942. Ralph was proud of his military career and shared many stories of his experiences in the New Guinea and Southern Philippine theaters during World War II. Assigned to the 3rd Engineers, B Company, 24th Infantry Division, Ralph worked primarily with bomb disposal and bridge construction. He took part in the second wave of Mindanao and also the battle of Layte Gulf, among others, and was honorably discharged as a Staff Sergeant. Ralph married Terry Steirwalt in 1948 and moved the family to Bend in 1953. Ralph went to work for Leonard Lundgren Lumber Company as a carpenter on the G.I. Ranch and helped build the House On The Metolius. During his career as a finish carpenter, Ralph worked on numerous large construction jobs in Bend, Redmond, Sunriver, Fossil and Kah- Nee-Ta. Ralph loved to hunt, fish, build furniture and create wood carvings in his shop, and tell stories about his experiences. His garage door was always open on nice days, and neighbors and friends would often stop to chat while he worked. Ralph's memory was amazingly accurate, including minute details, right up to the time of his death. Ralph was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, Terry, and his brothers, Ignacio, Mike and Joe. He is survived by sons, Larry (Carol) Garibay and

Greg Garibay; three grandsons, and four great- grandchildren. Graveside services will be held 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, June 13, at Deschutes Memorial Gardens with Niswonger-Reynolds Funeral Home in charge of arrangements. Memorial may be made to Partners In Care, 2075 NE Wyatt Ct., Bend, OR 97701.

Funeral Home:

Niswonger-Reynolds Funeral Home New
105 NW Irving Ave
Bend, OR
US 97701

Tribute Wall

AL

“ *Im so sorry for your loss, wish it was more I can do to ease the pain but I know that Jehovah God can by means of the resurrection hope
~ With Sympathy*

Alexanders - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Steve and Karen Forte - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ *Remember, Life ends but memories are forever!!*

Dave 'n' Auni Miller - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

GJ

“ *To the Garibay Family: My heart goes out to you all. Your Father was a wonderful person, and I feel fortunate and blessed to have known this man all of my life, and I know my Dad felt the same.
Your friend, Gary Johnson*

Gary Johnson - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ *Ralph was a very personal friend of mine, also a neighbor of 40yrs. I was Blessed Man to spend the last few years of his Life at the Summit House, We covered every statistic on. Fishing-Sports-Politics Family and especially.. GOD TALK !!!!!!! I would always end our conversations with this passage.. RALPH: IF I DONT SEE YOU IN THE FUTURE I WILL SEE YOU IN THE PASTURE !!!! GOD BE WITH YOU John Deegan*

John & Mary Deegan - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ To Larry and all the Garibay family, Very sorry for your loss, its hard to lose a parent or grandfather. I only meat him twice but both times were full of wonderful stories of his many experiences in life which it sounded like he lived to the full. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you. David & Julie Still

David & Julie Still - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

MJ

“ Sorry to hear about your loss.

Magdalena Johannsen - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ I never met your father, but I had a lovely half-hour chat with him on the phone, when I was calling to get out the vote during the Kerry campaign. He told me about his WWII service, and said he didnt fight that fight to see people like Bush and Cheney taking over the country. I so enjoyed chatting with him, and thought of stopping by his house on Newport as I went up and down that street. But I always felt like I shouldnt stop, since I got his address from doing the calling from voter rolls. Now I am sorry I didnt stop and chat, as I would have met him in person. The obituary was great, he sounds like a man who lived his life as he wanted to , and gave his best to living. I will make a donation in his name to Partners In Care. May your good memories keep him alive in your hearts. Suzette Shoulders, Bend, Oregon

suzette shoulders - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM