



Theodore Robert "Ted" Frostenson

July 22, 1933 - December 8, 2018

Ted Frostenson was born, at home, July 22, 1933 in Fairfield, Idaho. He passed away December 08, 2018. He was the oldest son of Arthur Robert "Bob" Frostenson and Gladys Fern Hall Frostenson. He was raised with his sister, Polly Jo, and brother, Jack on a dry land wheat and cattle ranch. He graduated in 1951 as valedictorian of Camas County High School, where he played 8 man football and his senior year they were undefeated. Ted went on to study Mechanical Engineering at the University of Idaho. He graduated from U of I in 1956 and was named Outstanding Engineering Student of 1956. He was president of his fraternity, Delta Tau Delta, was a member of ROTC and played football all five years of college. After graduating, the Green Bay Packers asked him to come to their training camp with the intent of playing pro football but he decided on another career. After college Ted went to work for Kaiser Aluminum and Chemical Corporation with the understanding that he would need to satisfy his ROTC military obligations and he was sent to his first leadership com-mand in Rochefort sur Mer, France in 1957. His love for travel was fed during this time as he visited many of the European countries and was the first of the Fritz Frostenson (his grandfather) family to go back to the old country in Skana, Sweden and reconnect with the family. After his military service in 1958, Ted went back to work for Kaiser Aluminum where he fashioned his whole working career. He started out in Spokane, Washington as an Engineer, was promoted to Plant Manager of the Dolton Extrusion Works where he supervised 250 employees, was promoted to Pro-duction Manger of

Ravenswood Works where he managed 1200 employees and then Plant Manager where he managed 2500 employees. In 1981 Ted was promoted to the Kaiser Headquarters in Oak-land California. The last 11 years of his employment with Kaiser was spent as the CEO/Managing Director of the Volta Aluminum Company (VALCO) in Ghana, West Africa. This was the assignment that Ted enjoyed the most as it allowed him to travel the world. He and his wife Marian went to 39 different countries while they were stationed in Ghana. In 1960, Ted met Marian Howell at a Young Republicans dinner dance in Spokane, they were double dating with different partners. He was so smitten with Marian that he ditched his date and danced with Marian all night. Three months later they married in September. Marian was a loyal partner for Ted and joined him on many of his world travels. They were married for 58 years. February 1963 added a daughter, Jill Lisette, to the family and in 1965, a son, Brett Robert. Ted loved skiing and golfing, so consequently, the whole family did as well. Ted was still playing golf at 80 and finally gave up skiing at that time. Ted's father Bob, founded and operated Soldier Mountain Ski Lift in 1948 and Ted learned to ski there as did his family. July 1996 brought retirement from Kaiser and the final title of Vice President. He and Marian retired to Bend, Oregon where he vigorously pursued his love of all things outdoors. He rafted, kayaked, trekked, skied, golfed and recorded all of his adventures with his ever present camera. He photo-graphed wildlife, sunsets and scenery, all so he could relive it again. As a member of the Foundry Church in Bend, Ted became active on several mission trips. He traveled to Mexico to assist the youth groups who were building houses and to Guatemala to assist the Ear/Nose/Throat Doctors who were serving with Healing the Children. Ted is survived by his wife of 58 years, Marian, daughter Jill (Charlie Kester), son Brett (Kathy), grand-daughters Chantelle and Savannah Frostenson, great granddaughters Evelyn and Dolly, brother Jack (Linda) and numerous nephews and nieces. All those who knew and loved him remember his welcoming smile and sense of fun and adventure A Memorial Service will be held on Thursday December 13, 2018 at 10:00 am at

Foundry Church, 60 NW Oregon Avenue, Bend, Oregon 97701. In lieu of flowers contributions can be made at Foundry Church Missions, 60 NW Oregon Avenue, Bend, Oregon 97701.

Funeral Home:

Niswonger-Reynolds Funeral Home

105 NW Irving Ave

Bend, OR

US 97701

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Funeral Home Owner - August 07, 2019 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Uncle Ted, the world was a nicer place with you in it! Your book of life has now been written. What a grand book you wrote. You lived a long and eventful life ! Now you can rest in peace for your hole in one existence. A life well lived, you were deeply loved and will be missed.*

Sandra Howell McNulty - January 22, 2019 at 12:00 AM