



## James Ernest Rogers

July 10, 1931 - April 21, 2024

Rogers, James E (Jim)

Jim passed peacefully in his sleep on April 21, 2024, at the Cheney Care Center after a short illness.

He was born July 10, 1931, to James E Rogers (Ernie) and Lois Jessie Pendell. He was joined four years later by a brother Charles.

Jim attended school in Spokane where he graduated from Lewis and Clark High School. He joined the Army just after the Korean initiative and spent time in Germany, France, England, and Italy. He loved his time there and talked about it often.

When Jim was discharged from the service, he came back to Washington where he worked for the Bell Telephone Company for several years as a pole counter. He would often have to call into the office in the Tri-Cities where he spoke to a cute young woman named Elizabeth A (Ann Rogers). After a year of courtship, they married and moved to Yakima, then Wenatchee, and finally back to Spokane. Jim left the telephone company when they had their first child Richard, and began his career at Eastern Washington University from which he retired. Jim and Ann welcomed James four years late, moved to Cheney, and completed their family with Alex. After retirement, Jim worked and co-owned RSIG an auto recovery group. Jim was a golf enthusiast who

played every chance he got.

Jim and Ann enjoyed traveling and he sold his interest in RSIG and they traveled. They took several cruises, went to Hawaii many times, and took the boys on car trips. They also every five years drove to Kansas to see Ann's family at their annual reunion.

Jim had many lifelong friends that he enjoyed traveling with, going to the civic theater, and New Year's Eve dinner with. Jim will be missed by many. Jim was very involved with the Kiwanis, Masonic Temple, and the Shriners.

He is survived by his sons Richard, James (Georgette) and Alex. He was preceded in death by his wife Ann, his parents, grandparents, several family members, and friends.

A private military ceremony will be held for close family and friends on Monday, May 13, at 2:30 pm at the Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Medical Lake, WA with a public memorial on Saturday, May 18, at 11:00 am at Cheney United Methodist Church, Cheney, WA.

Donations may be made to Cheney UMC or The Shriner's Hospital of Spokane, WA.

# Cemetery Details

## Washington State Veteran's Cemetery

Medical Lake, WA

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

MAY 18. 11:00 AM (PT)

Cheney United Methodist Church  
204 4th St.  
Cheney, WA 99004