



Roy V. Grunewald

January 22, 1938 - July 22, 2022

Roy V. Grunewald (84), passed away peacefully on July 22, 2022, at his home in Cheney, WA. Roy was born January 22, 1938, to John & Irene Grunewald in Spokane, WA.

Roy attended school at Spangle High School in Spangle, WA, where he graduated in 1955. While in school, from an early age, Roy would work for many farmers during hay season. After he graduated, Roy joined the US Navy and served in active duty until 1957. After, he remained in the Naval Reserves for another 10 years.

After retiring from the Navy, Roy worked various jobs in the Spangle, Waverly and Cheney, WA areas. He assisted local farmers during hay season as well as driving trucks and combines during harvest time. Roy acquired a rotary snow blower and would snow blow many roads and driveways during bad, drifting deep snowy winters in the early 90's. He later farmed over 500 acres of wheat, barley, peas, etc. Around 2000, Roy started his own gravel business by Liberty High School calling it The Liberty Pit, where he worked until he retired. Shortly afterwards, to stay busy, Roy worked several years for Freedom Trucks.

June of 1999, Roy married Sallie, who he called the love of his life. Together they loved to go camping, fishing, boating, and taking scenic drives. But most

importantly, going head-to-head at their daily game of cribbage to see who would be the winner of the day! Roy was a big supporter of the Palouse Community Firefighters. Roy would also drive his 1954, self-restored truck through parades in small towns across the Palouse, as Sallie threw candy out the window for the kids.

Roy is survived by his wife, Sallie Grunewald of Cheney, WA; his sister Claudia (and husband Jim) Larsen, of St. Ignatius, MT; brother, Jean (and his wife Andrea) Grunewald, of New Windsor, NY. Also survived are several stepchildren, many grandchildren and nieces and nephews.

A private services will be held at the Washington State Veteran's Cemetery in Medical Lake, WA. A Celebration of Life & Potluck will be held for family and friends on Saturday, August 6, 2022, at 1:00 PM, at the Spangle Service Club, 165 N. Main Street, Spangle, WA 99031. Bring your favorite dish, pictures, and stories to share.

Cemetery Details

Washington State Veteran's Cemetery

Medical Lake, WA

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

AUG 6. 1:00 AM (PT)

Spangle Service Club
165 N. Main St.
Spangle, WA 99031