



Allen T Adamson

October 6, 1916 - October 27, 2008

Allen T. "Al" Adamson, 92, of Wenatchee and a former longtime resident of Cashmere, died Monday, October 27, 2008, at Central Washington Hospital.

He was born October 6, 1916, in Bend, OR, to William J. and Maude T. (Johnson) Adamson.

The family moved to Washington State in 1917, first settling at Crego Hill near Adna and then in Chehalis, where Al was raised and attended school, graduating from W.F. West High School in 1934. He was a statistical analyst for Puget Sound Power and Light in Chehalis during that year. He went on to attend Whitman College, where he earned his bachelors degree in chemistry and French in 1938, and his masters degree in education and psychology in 1940. While at Whitman, he was a library custodian and supervisor, and also excelled in track, where he was a contender for the cancelled 1940 Olympic Games in the marathon and the 10,000-meter run.

Al began his career in education in 1940, as a science teacher and principal at the Washington State Training School in Chehalis. He moved to Cashmere in 1943, where he was employed by the Cashmere School District teaching high school science, mathematics and French and was also track coach.

On June 26, 1948, he married Marion E. Brown in Seattle and they made their

home in Cashmere. They lovingly raised two children, Glenn born in 1952, and Linda born in 1954.

He continued teaching mathematics and was also assistant principal at Cashmere High School until retiring in 1978. Al always valued academics and attended many other institutions of higher learning throughout his career in education, including the University of Washington, Central Washington University, Carleton College, Reed College, Randolph-Macon College, Drake University, Western Oregon State College and St. Cloud State College.

His desire for learning continued after retirement, as he and Marion attended many elderhostel programs and classes throughout Washington State and the Midwest. Al and Marion continued living in Cashmere until May 2006, when they moved to Columbia Heights Assisted Living Community in Wenatchee.

Al was a member of the Monitor Methodist Church and a former member of the Cashmere Methodist Church, a member of the Cashmere Senior Center, where he was past president and board member, and was also a member of The Friends of the Cashmere Library. He was also a member and past master of Cashmere Mission Lodge No. 158, district deputy to the grand master of the state Masonic Lodge from 1978-80, past patron of Cashmere Vale Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, and was a member of the Scottish Rite Masons and Cashmere Chapter, Order of Amaranth. He was past director of the Washington State Education Association, past president of the Chelan County Education Association and was a member of the National Education Association, the Mathematics Association of America, the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, the Washington State Secondary School Principals Association, the National Secondary School Principals Association, the Chelan-Douglas Retired Teachers Association, the Washington State Retired Teachers Association and served on the Northwest Regional Accrediting Team for the evaluation and accreditation of secondary schools. He was a

member of the Wenatchee Elks and Eagles Lodges and was past president and secretary of the Cashmere Lions Club. He had also been a member of the Cashmere Kiwanis Club, Boy Scouts and Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity. Al served for 11 years on the Cashmere City Council. He was past chairman of the Chelan-Douglas Health Board, past president of the North Central Washington Area Agency on Aging and served for six years on the Chelan County Council on Aging. He was involved in other public service work throughout his life with the March of Dimes, Multiple Sclerosis Society, Tuberculosis Association, Chelan-Douglas County Housing Task Force, Northeastern Washington Health Planning Task Force and the Red Cross. He also assisted with surplus commodities distribution in Cashmere.

His other interests included reading, researching mystery writers and their works, surfing the Internet, taking walks with Marion and spending time with his family and friends.

Al is survived by his wife, Marion Adamson of Wenatchee; his daughter and son-in-law, Linda and John Barta of Wenatchee; his son, Glenn Adamson of Burlingame, KS; two brothers, James Adamson of Plain and Richard Adamson of University Place; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his mother in 1972, his father in 1979 and his brother, Robert, in 2004.

Al will always be remembered as a loving and devoted husband and father... we love you forever.

At his request, there will be no services. Private family inurnment will be held at the Cashmere City Cemetery. Memorials, in lieu of flowers, may be made to the Cashmere Senior Center.

Arrangements are by Heritage Memorial Chapel, East Wenatchee.

Tribute Wall

LB

“ Dad... You are missed everyday. I love you forever...”



Linda Barta - October 28, 2018 at 01:10 AM

LB

“ Dad... today marks the 10th anniversary of your passing. I think of you everyday and miss you. My memories of you will always stay close to my heart. I love you forever.
Linda

Linda Barta - October 27, 2018 at 02:16 PM

LB

“ Dad... remembering you today on what would have been your 96th birthday. You were a wonderful dad and teacher. I miss you and love you forever... Linda

Linda (Adamson) Barta - October 07, 2012 at 12:44 AM

LB

“ Dad... remembering you this Memorial Day. I love you and miss you forever...”

Linda (Adamson) Barta - May 30, 2011 at 12:20 PM

LB

“ Dad... it was two years ago today that you passed from our lives. Everyday I think of you and take comfort that you are now reunited with mom. I miss you and love you forever...

Linda (Adamson) Barta - October 27, 2010 at 11:11 AM

LB

“ With many cherished thoughts of you, dad, on this Memorial Day. John and I attended the service at the Cashmere cemetery and when I touched your marker, I felt your spirit and knew you were smiling down on us. I think of you and mom often and I love you both and miss you forever... Linda

Linda Barta - May 31, 2010 at 11:59 AM

LB

“ Dad... It's been a year since your passing. I miss you everyday. With love forever...

Linda Barta - October 28, 2009 at 01:10 PM

LB

“ Dad, I'm remembering you today on your birthday. I miss you with all my heart but I take comfort in knowing that mom is with you now. I love you both forever... Linda

Linda Barta - October 07, 2009 at 01:51 PM

LB

“ Dad... remembering you with love on Father's Day. I miss you.

Linda Barta - June 20, 2009 at 12:31 PM

MA

“ *Al... with love forever.* ”



Marion Adamson - April 13, 2009 at 11:24 PM

LB

“ *Dad... we love you forever.* ”



Linda and John Barta - April 11, 2009 at 07:21 PM

“ Dear dad,

Six months ago you departed... and every day I think of you and miss you with all my heart.

I've thought a lot about our family over the last six months and all the wonderful times we've had.

I will never forget all the sacrifices you and mom made as I was growing up... so that I'd always have a stable and loving home. You and mom were the best parents a daughter could have. You were always proud and supportive of everything I have done in life... and that will always mean so much to me. You were the consummate teacher, inside and outside the classroom. You taught me a strong work ethic that has followed me throughout adulthood, the importance of treating others with courtesy and respect and to always be prepared for life's unpredictable journey. Thank you for making me the person I am today.

You worked so hard for so many years as a teacher and administrator... but I know how much the education profession meant to you. This was your life's calling and generations of your students have showed their appreciation over the years in return.

You and mom had many years together in retirement to travel and do things that you always wanted to do. And you deserved that... I am so grateful that you both had that time together.

I am grateful for all the extra time we spent together in the last years of your life and the talks we had. I'm also grateful that last year you were able to accomplish all of what you wanted to do... your's and mom's 60th wedding anniversary in June with a wonderful party; a last trip to Barney's for lunch with John in September; reaching your 92nd birthday; and finally casting your ballot for president. I know you were prepared for the end in your own way and you left us at peace with life and with no regrets.

I still grieved when that time came last October but I also took comfort in knowing that you were freed from the illnesses you suffered. I know you are in a good place now and back "home" in Cashmere... waiting for mom to join you one day. I feel your spirit and know you are smiling down on us and still love us.

Dad, I know you're concerned about mom... she is comfortable and being well cared for. She misses you, too, in her own way. I see her as often as I can and convey your love to her.

Dad, you lived a long good life... on your terms... one can't ask for more than that. Thank you again for everything in my life.

With love forever,

Linda

Linda Barta - April 11, 2009 at 07:43 AM