



Charles Doyle Bennett Sr.

February 5, 1934 - August 4, 2011

Charles D. "Chuck" Bennett Sr. 77, a Wenatchee area resident for over 70 years, passed away at his home in East Wenatchee on Thursday evening, August 4, 2011, following a sudden illness. He was born on February 5, 1934, at Miller, SD to the late Charles & Bertha (Ruston) Bennett. As a young child, he moved with his family to Wenatchee, where he started first grade at Whitman Elementary School, attended Lewis and Clark Middle School and Wenatchee High School. He graduated from Wenatchee High School in 1952, and went to work at the Keokuk Silicon Metal Plant in Rock Island. He was married to Ruth Elizabeth Dorsett on June 6, 1954, in Wenatchee, and made their first home briefly in East Wenatchee, before moving in the early 1960's to the Baker Flats area. They returned to make their home in East Wenatchee in 1971. He continued working at Keokuk, later becoming Foreman and continued his employment with them through the name changes to Hannah Mining and SMI. He retired in 1996, and later that year became a Greeter at Wal-Mart. He has since continued visiting with the customers at Wal-Mart, where he especially enjoyed running into old schoolmates. He enjoyed watching his

family members and grandkids play sports and following his children's careers. He is survived by his wife, Ruth Bennett, East Wenatchee; three daughters and two son's-in-law, Teresa and Steve Cox, Goldendale, WA; Alice and Bruce Dawson, Waterville; Cynthia Mitchell, Clarkston, WA; one son and daughter-in-law, Charles D. Jr., and Paula Bennett, Wenatchee; one sister and brother-in-law, Mary and Hugh Newberry, Cashmere; one brother, Carl Bennett, Wenatchee; 11 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Lawrence Bennett, Clarence Bennett; and three sisters, Doris Weeks, Margaret Kushel & Fern Highfill.

Commemoration Services will be held on Wednesday, August 10, 2011, at 10:00 a.m. at the Valley View Seventh-day Adventist Church, 1201 10th St NE, East Wenatchee, with Pastor Jason Canfield officiating. Concluding services and the Entombment will follow in the Evergreen Memorial Park, Mausoleum. Visitation will be at the funeral home on Tuesday from noon to 8:00 p.m. Friends who wish may make a memorial contribution in his name at any Peoples Bank location. Please sign in or leave a memory for the family online at

www.HeritageMemorialChapel.com.

Arrangements are in the care of Heritage Memorial Chapel, East Wenatchee.

Tribute Wall

DR

“ I will miss Chucks smiling face to greet you when you walked into Walmart, i loved asking him how he was feeling and to tell Ruth hi, i will miss him, prayers to the family!

Darla Racus - September 07, 2011 at 11:22 AM

RP

“ Ruthie and family, I was so sorry to hear of Chuck's passing. Every time I would see him at Wal Mart, it would take me back to our softball days. He always had a smile to greet you.

Ruby Proffitt - August 26, 2011 at 04:03 PM

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“ Chuck's daughter, Teresa and I were best friends all through high school. Chuck and Ruth just included me in like part of their wonderful family. I think my favorite memory is Chuck loading up his family of six and myself and another girlfriend into his little blue Volkswagon for a full day and evening of fun at the Waterville Fair back in 1970. Of course we girls spent all our money on the carnival, dance, and jewelry so Chuck just smiled, shook his head, and dug out the money to feed us. Chuck and Ruth even went with us to the country dance where we all laughed, and danced, and had a wonderful time. Late that night, on the way home to Baker Flats, the little blue bug broke down so Chuck had to walk to get help to get us all home safe. He never got angry or complained, he just took great care of us and made it a fun adventure. He and Ruth were among my favorite adults and I truly appreciate all the fun times we shared. Chuck was a great man, father, and friend. I will miss visiting with him at Walmart. I hope all those wonderful family memories will comfort his family as they adjust to this loss. Take care and God Bless Chuck's family. A fond memory from Connie Dorner (Clark)

Connie Dorner (Clark) - August 11, 2011 at 01:47 PM

DR

“ My heart goes out to the family, he was such a great person. Loved running into him at the ballpark, he always loved Baseball/softball! He will be missed much!

Dana Ransford - August 10, 2011 at 11:49 PM

TP

“ Real Sorry to hear about Charlie. He will be greatly missed.

Tom Patty - August 10, 2011 at 09:57 PM

SA

“ I am so sorry I was unable to attend the services for Chuck. I considered him a close friend, co-worker, and Supervisor. I learned a lot from him.

I enjoyed seeing him at WalMart. He would always take a few minutes to share who he had seen that we both knew. I could always count on a smile when he was there to greet us.

My condolences to the family. Chuck would always speak of his family with great respect and you could tell he was proud of his children and grandchildren.

Chuck, you will be missed.

Steve Archer - August 10, 2011 at 09:19 PM