



George Franklin Thompson

April 13, 1938 - September 9, 2011

George Franklin Thompson, passed away on Friday morning, September 9, 2011, at home in Wenatchee, with his family by his side.

He was born on April 13, 1938 in Costa Mesa, California to the late George Ellwood and Beatrice (Grant) Thompson. He graduated from Newport Harbor High School where he excelled in all sports, lettering in football, baseball, track and basketball in his freshman year. He continued playing sports and attended Orange Coast College at Costa Mesa on a Baseball Scholarship where he earned his Associates degree. In 1960, he entered the National Guard and served in the reserves while furthering his studies at San Jose State and Long Beach State Colleges. In 1962, he entered the banking business with U S Bank of San Diego. George married Terry McDonald in 1962 and they had two children. He continued his career in banking, moving the family to Washington State. In 1977 he completed studies with Pacific Coast Banking School through the University of Washington.

He was married to Sally Davis-Campbell in September of 1994 and they made their home in Wenatchee. In 1999 he retired from Key Bank as Vice President - Small Business Trans-Mountain District with his office based in Wenatchee.

George was an active member in the community. He shared his love of sports with his children coaching youth soccer for many years and encouraging them to participate in sports. He also served on the YMCA board for 10 years.

In retirement, George picked up golfing again and spent many hours at the Wenatchee Golf and Country Club. He used his business skills as a volunteer

counselor for small business owners in participation with S.C.O.R.E. and became a consultant for the Farm Family Support Network through the Washington State University cooperative extension. George loved to garden spending hours working in his yard. Travel was another of George's favorite things.

George is survived by his wife, Sally, at the home; daughter, Charnna (Darren) Gilmore, Etna, CA; son, Scott (Kelly) Thompson, Wenatchee; step-sons Bryan (Nicole) Campbell, Goldendale, WA and Aaron (Stacy) Campbell, Spokane, WA. George is also survived by four grandchildren, Cassidy and Coy Gilmore of Etna, CA and Nicholas and Nathan Campbell of Spokane, his sister, Erma Prinslow, San Luis Obispo, CA. and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, sister, Beverly Sankey and his stepfather, Paul Bell Cassidy.

A memorial service will be held on Monday, September 19th at 1:00 p.m. at Grace Lutheran Church, 1408 Washington Street in Wenatchee, with the Reverend Jon Nelson officiating. Friends, who wish, may make memorial gifts in his name to the Grace Lutheran Church Memorial Fund or the Wenatchee Valley Humane Society. Please visit his online tribute and leave your memories for the family at www.HeritageMemorialChapel.com. Arrangements are in the care of Heritage Memorial Chapel, East Wenatchee.

Tribute Wall

MJ

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this time. Buddy has and will always have a special place in my heart.

Mike and Gloria Johnson - September 16, 2011 at 12:35 AM

BW

“ Sally & family: We were sad to hear of George's death and wanted you to know that you are in our thoughts and prayers.

Bernie & Jerry Webster - September 15, 2011 at 12:51 PM

CK

“ There are no words to tell you of our sadness but know that those of us who knew him from grade school on will never forget Buddy's personality, his goodness, sense of humor and mischief! We loved him and will miss him!

Claudia & Jerry Kemper - September 14, 2011 at 12:58 PM

DS

“ We are so very sad to hear this news. Please know that we are thinking of you all and praying for you during this difficult time.
Sending love,
Dave and Kelly Spratt

Dave and Kelly Spratt - September 13, 2011 at 10:27 PM

LN

“ *My deepest sympathy to you and your family Sally. I was so sad to hear of Georges' passing. He was such a wonderful man, whose life was too short. Very sad he is no longer with us, please be comforted by your wonderful memories of your time together, and the support of all your friends and family. God Bless, Lin Phillips Norton*

Lin Phillips Norton - September 13, 2011 at 07:12 PM

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“ *Dear Thompson Family, I got to know George when I was in business and he was a banker. I always appreciated his up front way of rendering a decision and his support of youth activities in our community. In recent years it has been a pleasure to join George in celebrating our mutual faith in Jesus Christ. Sincerely, Earl Tilly*

Earl Tilly - September 12, 2011 at 02:53 PM