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Howard Eldon Carlson, a long- time resident of Rock Island, WA, passed away peacefully at home on April 18, 2018, following a long, courageous battle with COPD. Howard was born in Machias, Washington on August 7, 1934, to Walter Henry and Pearl Esther (Thomas) Carlson. He spent his childhood growing up in Machias until he entered the Air Force in 1951. Howard spent his entire adult life as a logger, log truck driver, and feed truck driver. He was a dedicated family man who worked hard to provide for his family. He enjoyed hunting and fishing, and loved camping with his family, especially with his children and grandchildren. He had an uncanny sense of humor and was quite a character. He will be missed by all who knew him. Howard is survived by his children, Howard E. Carlson, Jr. (Shelley), of Lake Stevens, WA, Pearl Neisinger (Gary), of Marysville, WA, Ernie Hill (Margie) of Gold Bar, WA, Peggy Engeseth (John), of Snohomish, WA, Debby Scott of Lake Stevens, WA, and Carol Faye Gemkow of Rock Island, WA. He is also survived by his sisters, Carolee Stadin of Snohomish, WA, Karen Galloway, of Soap Lake, WA, and Jerry Carlson, of Bellingham, WA. Howard was preceded in death by his parents Walter and Pearl Carlson, his wife, Fern Carlson, grandson, Robby Gemkow, and son-in-law, Bob Gemkow. A Celebration of Life will be planned at a later date to honor a life well lived.



# Tribute Wall

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“ *I'm so sorry for your family's loss. Please accept my sincere condolences. I personally know the loss of a loved one, and the pain can seem overwhelming. However, I found comfort in the Bible's promise for the future. Acts 24:15 speaks of a resurrection, a time when God will reunite us with our lost loved ones. I hope this helps bring some comfort in this time of sorrow.*

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