



## Jerry Lance Spence

August 25, 1940 - November 21, 2016

Jerry L. Spence, 76, a Moses Lake resident and formally from Wenatchee and Entiat, passed away on Monday, November 21, 2016 at the University of Washington Medical Center, following a sudden illness.

He was born on August 25, 1940 at Bogalusa, Louisiana to the late Wendall and Helen (Gerall) Spence. He was raised and schooled at Bogalusa.

Following graduation, he entered the U.S. Army and after a tour of duty in Vietnam, he then stayed on the mainland and received medical training at Madigan Hospital at Fort Lewis to be an operating room supervisor. He served 12 years before receiving his Honorable Discharge. He worked at Swedish Hospital prior to collaborating in a Medical Supply business in Seattle. Upon selling his partnership, he entered the funeral industry. He worked at Yarrington's / White Center, Seattle and Weller Funeral Home in Arlington. In 2001, he transferred to work at Jones & Jones Funeral Home. Following his heart attack in 2003, he was forced to retire.

Jerry met Marlys (Gumke) Kinzler and they were married on June 25, 2005 at Las Vegas, NV. They made their home together in Entiat until August of 2014 when they moved to Moses Lake. They enjoyed traveling, sightseeing and going on rides together. Marly remembers that he loved to watch the Huskies football games and politics on tv.

He is preceded in death by his parents and sister, Linda Spence.

Jerry leaves behind his wife, Marly, Moses Lake; children, Lance Spence and Vicky Spence; stepchildren, Denice Kinzler and Bonnie (Tim) Chapman; four

grandchildren, Meghan Kinzler, Cody (Paige) Kinzler, Mckinzie Chapman, Haley Chapman; two great grandchildren, Tohn and Katara Kinzler and several nieces and nephews.

You are invited to view his online guestbook at: [www.HeritageMemorialChapel.com](http://www.HeritageMemorialChapel.com) . Arrangements are in the care of Heritage Memorial Chapel, East Wenatchee.