



John Peter Harum

March 29, 1930 - June 7, 2015

John "Jack" Harum, 85, a 44 year Wenatchee resident, passed away peacefully early Sunday morning, June 7, 2015 at River West Retirement Community in Wenatchee.

He was born on March 29, 1930 in Solon Springs, Wisconsin, son of the late Kedor Orin and Loretta (Fournier) Harum. He was raised and received his education in Solon Springs, graduating with the Class of 1947. He entered the U.S. Army Air Corps and served during the Korean Conflict. He met and was later married to Rosemary McIntyre on June 23, 1951 in Superior, Wisconsin. They moved to Seattle in 1958, where he went to work as a Draftsman at the Boeing Aircraft Company. In 1971, they moved to Wenatchee and John became a Business Agent for the Teamsters Union, Local 760. He retired from the Union in 1984 and worked for three years as a Long Haul Truck Driver. John then followed his passion of woodworking and co-founded a custom cabinet building company, known as "Harum Furniture". Upon completely retiring, he and Rosemary traveled in their R.V. and visited many people along the way.

He was a lifetime member of Union 760, he was an Eagle Scout and received the Silver Beaver Award from the Boy Scouts of America. He proudly served on the review board of the Grand Columbia Council of the Boy Scouts of America and was very proud to have two grandsons receive their Eagle Scout statuses under his guidance. John was a FEMA and Chelan County Search and Rescue Assistant. He enjoyed hunting with his sons, tromping around in

the outdoors and simply being with his family. John was a talented and avid woodworker, he had a passion for collecting woodworking tools which included an impressive collection of hand wood planers.

He is survived by his wife of 64 years, Rosemary Harum, Wenatchee; seven children, John K. (Beverly) Harum, Seattle, Jeffrey L. (Judy) Harum, Welches, OR, Michael T. (Kelly) Harum, Wenatchee, Chester P. (Cindy) Harum, Wenatchee, James M. Harum, Wenatchee, Peter P. (Susan) Harum, Graham, WA and Mary Beth Holzerland, Wenatchee; 18 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, one stillborn infant brother and one sister, Kay Lucas.

It is John's wish that the family did not have any services. His wish is that his family, friends and occasional acquaintances do not dwell on his death, but celebrate his life. Family and friends are invited to visit his tribute online at www.HeritageMemorialChapel.com and leave a memory. Arrangements are in the care of Heritage Memorial Chapel, East Wenatchee.

Tribute Wall

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“ I met the Harum family in my junior high/high school years. We lived in the same neighborhoods that fed my local schools. John Jr. impressed me with his artistic bent. He was more brave than I in taking on challenges at our age. His parents John and Rosemary made a big impression on me as well. They set a great example for how gracious they were raising a big bunch of kids with John Sr. holding a demanding job.

They both treated me with respect and I felt comfortable visiting their home.

If anyone out there can provide a family contact (perhaps for Jeff), I would be very appreciative.

Fond memories for both John and Rosemary.

Byron Rhoades

Olympia, Wa

Byron Rhoades - October 20, 2019 at 11:02 PM

“ Dear Extended Family of Jack and Rosemary,
This last couple of months has been very difficult for all of us. Our tears are the words our heart cannot say.
I spent many hours talking with Mom and Dad about their life and wishes when they are gone. They both lived for their children. Mom and Dad's only wish was that all of their children were taken care of.

Many of you have asked what you can do to help us. As you know, grief does not end. You surely must miss our parents too. After all, you knew them at a different level than us. You can help us by talking about Mom and Dad, with us or among yourselves, saying their name aloud, sharing any thoughts and memories (and dreams if you've been lucky enough to have them) that may creep into your daily life, at any time, month to month, this year or next. Jack and Rosemary are ever present in OUR minds, we will not forget them. You will NOT make us feel bad or sad if you mention them or their death. In fact, talking about them helps us enormously.

We realize Jack was no more special than your special loved ones. He was devilish and sometimes selfish, as well as generous and often fun. In the early days Dad was gone working to support the family. It was not until later in the years, after his retirement that he was able to enjoy his children and their families. Although Dad was in late stages of dementia for the past two years, he still would ask me how everyone was. I would go down the list of family and he was comforted to know we were doing well. He would not stop asking how Mom was and would offer to help if there were any problems. When Mom was moved to the home he was able to talk with her and I feel it gave him comfort they were close again. The day he passed I was at his side and told him we were all going to be okay and mom was in the room next to him.

Mom was a powerful symbol in our family, a loving, warm, very generous matriarch, a fabulous grandmother, friend and warm and caring mother. We all saw she was getting tired and a cure was not to be, so she put her arms around us, in her way, she said goodbye. In her last days we were able to sit beside her and tell stories of the

past, although she was not able to talk she was comfortable knowing we were okay. With tearful eyes we watched her fade away. We loved her dearly, but we could not make her stay. A golden heart stopped beating that day, but will never stop loving all of us. God broke our hearts to prove to us, he only takes the best.

Nothing will bring Mom and Dad back, but talking and sharing helps us remember them, and memories are all we have!

When someone dies it is a reminder that there are few things in this life that we have control over, Death, being one of them. We always have complete control over the choices we make for ourselves. So we need to focus on the gifts that were brought into our life by Jack and Rosemary and choose to use these gifts in living our life to the fullest.

One is never gone as long as there are those who remember with fondness and as long as memory evokes a wistful smile. All those who have loved, and who have been loved, have earned a piece of immortality...No sad tears for our parents, please...

Thank you all! Mike

Mike Harum - June 28, 2015 at 11:44 AM

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“ *Our family is so saddened by the loss of Jack. But, we know he's sitting next to God watching Eagle Board of Reviews and wanting to say something to 'toughen up' our finest scouts. Our family will miss him and Rosemary. RIP Jack and Rosemary. We'll see you both on the other side :(*

Fredi Simpson - June 23, 2015 at 12:30 AM