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On May 14, 1944, Al was born in Omak, WA, where he went to school and during his teen years, he traveled as far away as Walla Walla, WA, to work a summer job bucking hay. Al worked hard to graduate with the honor of Valedictorian and with that "hard work" ethic, he went on to owning his own gas station, volunteering for the Omak Fire Department, working on the Wells Dam Project, and onto owning a RC Cola franchise. After that, he moved to Wenatchee, WA, as a manager for Coca Cola. It was during these years, that he was noticed to be a good voice and advocate for worker's rights, and again his hard work. That was the changing point for the rest of his working career when he became a union representative for Teamster's Union Local 148. He then became the Secretary Treasurer for Local 760 out of Yakima, WA, for several years. He was elected to the Joint Council 28 as the Executive Director for the state of Washington. After a short term, he was elected to International Vice President for the Northwest to include the states of WA, OR, and AK. He served as a contract negotiator and was a representative on the Pension Trust, while maintaining his duties at Joint Council 28.

After over 40 years, he retired to do a few leisure things, and found that

farming with the family, spoiling grandchildren, raising many different gardens, taking care of animals, and again, bucking hay, was the way of life he had missed for so many years.

He enjoyed spending more time with the family and doing a little hunting and fishing on the side. He volunteered his time serving on the board of Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation with volunteer duties and also doing visits to the elderly from his church. Sadly, it was an ATV accident on the farm, doing what he was proud to do, that took him to a long stay at Harborview Medical Center. He had the care of many great doctors and nurses, when he passed on December 27, 2019, to be in Heaven, with his Lord and Savior. He was a baptized member of the Eastmont Baptist Church, helping serve in many ways for 31 years, and adopted Pinal County Cowboy Church when in Arizona, also to worship and doing volunteer work. It all kept him very busy and again, "working hard."

He will be sorely missed by wife, Dalette; family, friends, and co-workers. His children are: Laura Ward, Robert Hobart (Yolanda), Heather Hill (Colin), Mike Norris (Janelle), Jocelyn Flitton (Darin). The grandchildren include: Doug Hobart, Matt Ward, Jake Ward, Olivia Perez, Henry Hobart, John Flitton, Josie Flitton, Noelle Hill, Allyson Hill, and Michael Hill. His surviving siblings are: Joan Michelson, Jerry Hobart (Deloris), and Pat Taylor. Al was preceded in passing by his parents, Jess and Vera Hobart; his first wife, Loretta; a brother, Jesse; sister, Vera "Pete" Armstrong; John Lenhart; and brother-in-law, Don Michelson.

To honor his wishes, there will not be a public service. A private memorial will be held for family and a few longtime friends, at a later date. You are invited to view Al's online tribute at www.HeritageMemorialChapel.com to share a memory or leave a condolence. Arrangements are in the care of Heritage Memorial Chapel, East Wenatchee, WA

Tribute Wall

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“ I think of you Dalette and family often and do have it on my calendar that will be a year next Sunday! Love and hugs to all! Let's catch up when you are back!

Barb Thornton - December 20, 2020 at 04:16 PM

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“ Allen and I were friends in the late sixties and seventies. We served on the Omak volunteer fire department until he moved from Omak. He loaned me \$20.00 when I didn't have a nickel to my name. Soon he took me boating on Omak lake, then camping and hunting. He was like an adopted big brother for me through some very hard times. Swimming certainly was not his long suit, that became very apparent when we water skied. Fast cars were in his blood, case in point we'd wash his car and then dry it off on highway 97, not positive if his speedometer was accurate or not, but it read a consistent 140mph! These high speed runs were accompanied by a weird sort of giggle or laugh on his part. Same giggle when jeeping at high speeds. Although I hadn't seen Allen in many years, he left a positive mark on my life. I am so sorry for your loss. I am confident we'll see him again as the obituary stated he knew Christ as do I. Michael Beach Omak, Wa

Michael Beach - February 10, 2020 at 02:51 PM

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“ I'm in tears Good ole Al my go to for getting it done - my folks graduated from okanogan and I spent my summers in Malott my dad grew up in Malott Al and I always felt that karma connection and smiled and visited about the okanogan valley - I just retired after 33 years with UPS and in the thick of those days Al went over the top to connect with the head UPS labor guy with a letter in regards to the hours I worked 40 plus yet I was still getting only 20 hrs pay on my vacation and 4hrs pay sick and holidays because I was a PART TIMER I wanted to stay part time yet still work the 40 plus and did - that effort Al put forth gave me full pay for vacation sick holidays 40 hour vacation checks for 9 years it was the right thing yet I was the only part timer in 50 states to have that letter and those benefits I'm broken hearted how could I have not known Al was fighting for his life all these months I read the paper every day and hv been in Seattle many times to hv missed visiting and or not supporting in some way saddens me deeply thank you for the online update which let me inside your sad tragic ordeal fight he did of course now PEACE with greatest respect my deepest condolences Shelly

Shelly key UPS - January 06, 2020 at 10:03 AM