



## Phillip Charles Ross

April 21, 1933 - October 24, 2017

The Lord has called and it is with a heavy heart that that we have lost such a loving, caring, inspirational, and endearing man on October 20, 2017. Phillip C Ross was born in Premier, West Virginia on April 21, 1933 to Joseph and Edith Ross. Shortly after High School, Phil joined the U.S. Air Force and served in the Korean War. When he was Honorably Discharged, he moved to San Diego and earned his teaching degree. Hearing his calling, he taught a short time in California and Alaska before settling down in Wenatchee.

Phil met the love of his life Elizabeth (Betty) and after courtship, they were married November 8, 1974. He loved to cook and his love for baseball was unsurpassed. He was an inspiration to all who were surrounded by him. At the age of 58 and after going completely blind, Phil returned to teaching at Orchard Middle School. Not only was he an inspiration to his students, he taught his family to love unconditionally and to never give up despite any circumstance. Phil was a person for others to emulate. He always had an optimistic look on life and loved to help others. Whether it was his students or his family, Phil always placed their needs above his own.

He survived by his wife Betty, two daughters (Karen and Lisa), two step-sons (Dean and Rob), 16 grandchildren, and four great grandchildren. Phil is preceded in death by his parents, sister, and step-daughter. Service will be held at Faith Lutheran Church in East Wenatchee on November 18 at

11:00am.