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Roger Milton LeRay, of Wenatchee, passed away on Saturday, March 5, 2022, at Fieldstone Memory Care. He was 83 years old.

Roger was born June 7, 1938, to Ken and Beulah (Wooten) LeRay in Wenatchee, Washington

Roger was raised in the Tacoma area, graduating from High School in 1956, continuing on to Pacific Lutheran College to further his education.

Roger returned to the Wenatchee-Chelan area in 1958, taking a position with the Van Doren Sales Company where he was able to further his love of designing and building almost anything mechanical. He often said how lucky he was and how much he loved working for Van Doren.

Roger met Carol Stocker - they were married in 1962 and have been together for over 59 years.

Roger left Van Doren Sales to take up full time farming in the early 70's at

what he called "The Hidden Ranch" where he enjoyed working with his dad. One of his favorite memories was the two of them drilling the well for the ranch.

Roger loved the land, the orchards, the long hours, and hard work of farming because he got to see and feel the results of all his hard work. He often said he was so thankful to be born in America where a man can realize his dreams and goals.

Roger had a gift of being able to think of something and then build whatever would help with farming, home building, and repairs, or just something to play with. He loved tractors and all the things he could design-build to make them even more useful.

Roger's hobbies were also an extension of his mechanical mind. He loved Model Trains and not only had several trains, but he built entire scale model cities, towns, mountains, rivers, and bridges in the basement train room to run his trains in, over, and around. He loved long range rifle shooting, shotgun and skeet shooting, snowmobiling, and fishing in Alaska. (Truth be known: he'd fish in a mud puddle if he thought there might be a fish in there).

Roger accidentally rolled his 4-wheeler, suffering a head injury that caused several changes in his life, primarily that of he and Carol downsizing their home and activities. They moved to their small house at the opposite end of the orchard where Roger could still oversee the orchard, play with his little dog, Rowdy, feed the birds, and watch the "big" trains across the river.

Roger is survived by his wife Carol, his two sisters: Janice Parsons of Cashmere, Washington and Martha Yager of Missouri.

Roger's soul is in a peaceful, joyful home.

God be with you.