



David Pontius

July 31, 1942 - September 5, 2018

The funeral service for David Pontius of Eagle Bend will be held at 4:30 p.m. on Sunday, September 9, at the Faith Lutheran Church in Eagle Bend with Pastor Kali Christensen presiding. Visitation will be held at the church on Sunday from 3:00 p.m. until the time of the service.

Surrounded by his family, David, age 76, passed away on Wednesday, September 5, 2018, at his home in Eagle Bend, MN, with the outstanding care of Lakewood Hospice.

David was born to Mathew and Olga (Nelson) Pontius on July 31, 1942 in Clarissa, MN. He graduated from Eagle Bend High School with the Class of 1961 and later found his livelihood as a yard foreman. David was united in marriage with Helen Marie Clark on May 14, 2005, in Green Bluff, WA.

David enjoyed being outdoors whether it was for fishing or gardening- with flowers being his favorite. Spending time with his family was always a highlight, especially with nieces and nephews. In his later years, David enjoyed traveling, and studying Native American and U.S. History.

David was preceded in death by his parents; first wife Leona Pontius on July 31, 1995; siblings Donna (Derold) Johnson, Loretta (Wayne) Olson, Virginia Beach and Norris Thorud; and niece Jenny Kaufman.

David is survived by his wife Helen; step-children Kathryn Mayfield of Seattle, WA, Joseph (Joanath) Mayfield of Surprise, AZ, Andrew (Roseann) Coston of Elk, WA and Nathan (Jessica) Coston of Newport, WA; 13 grandchildren; siblings Janet Thorud of Plymouth, Roger Beach of Clarissa; and nieces and nephews Randy (Kim) Johnson, Rita (Jeff) Falkner and Wayne (Elaine) Johnson, Cindy Pratt, Bryan (Kim) Olson, Dale (Denise) Olson, Nancy (Dave) Toensing, Bonnie (Jeremiah) Johnson and Daniel (Nicole) Beach.

Casket bearers will be Bryan Olson, Dale Olson, James Olson, Jim Pontius, Jeremiah Johnson and Daniel Beach.

Burial will be held at a later date in Peone Cemetery, Spokane, WA.

In lieu of flowers memorials are preferred.

Arrangements in Spokane, WA are with the Riplinger Funeral Home. (www.riplingerfuneralhome.com)

Local arrangements are with the Schuller Family Funeral Homes & Cremation Services, Bertha, MN.

Cemetery Details

Peone Cemetery - Spokane, WA

Spokane, WA

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 9. 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (CT)

Faith Lutheran Church - Eagle Bend
300 Main St. W.
Eagle Bend, MN 56446

Service

SEP 9. 4:30 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Very sad day yesterday. 😞*

My uncle Dave Pontius in Minnesota lost a long battle with his illness. My heart breaks for all those who loved and knew him. He was a wonderful man and would give you the shirt off his back. For a short time, in the 60's, Uncle Dave came to Spokane to live with us. He helped raise us kids, which wasn't easy, and we became very fond of him. Aunty Ginny, too, spent some precious years with us. Later Dave and I shared much time together going to sporting events, WSU football, Mariners, Spokane Indians and Chiefs hockey. We bowled leagues together (my favorite), shot pool, and spent many hours playing cards.

He was my best friend! My fond memories are so numerous and I pray he is now enjoying the Glory of being with Jesus, and all of our wonderful family already in heaven. 🙏

You will be missed Dave 😞

Randy Johnson - September 06, 2018 at 12:46 PM