

Raymond L. Crist "Ray"



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Raymond Crist born August 4, 1940 in Seattle, WA, died August 3, 2009 in Portland, OR.

He attended Edmonds High School, class of 1958. He then had a four year tour of duty with USMC, studying as a radio repairman and worked on aircraft radios at NAS in New Orleans, then attended Everett Community

College for two years and graduated with a degree in forestry from University of Washington.

Raymond worked with Parks and Recreation in Snohomish County and had a career with the Forestry Service at Detroit Ranger Station in Oregon, retiring after 33 years. He was a member of the Eagles and worked for Habitat for Humanity for several years. He enjoyed raising and canning food from his garden, restoring his 1951 Ford truck, riding his motorcycle, making trails for his wife to ride horseback on, and listening to sports. He loved life and liked to care for his grandson, Everett and was a wonderful uncle. He often met with his fellow Edmonds High School grads at the Golden Corrall in Marysville, WA.

Preceding him in death was wife, Barbara A. Simpson Crist; his parents; brother, Richard; brother-in-law, Bill Simpson; and mother-in-law, Margaret A. Simpson.

Surviving him are son, Aaron William Crist; grandson, Everett William Crist; sisters-in-law, Betty Simpson and Nancy Simpson (Bob) Keithley; nephews, Douglas Crist, Robert, Brian and Russ Keithley; nieces, Katharine Keithley Rode and Becky Keithley and their families.

Services will be held at 2:00 p.m., on Sunday, August 30, in Mill City, OR at the Eagles Hall. Memorial donations may be made to Habitat for Humanity. He will be greatly missed by all who loved him. He was one of the "good guys."