



John Pruitt Blaine

January 29, 1940 - December 9, 2016

John Pruitt Blaine, lost his life on Dec 9th 2016 at the age of 76.

John was born Jan 29th in Phoenix, AZ to Gladys and John Blaine in 1940. He later became a big brother to sister -Lora.

In his early years he served in the military, later teaching at a high school in the Sumner

School District in Wash, and then settled down as an insurance agent.

He married Marian in the 60's and began his family adopting his son, Jeff.

He fulfilled his dream of traveling on his 32 ft sail boat from Tacoma, Wa to New Zealand in the 90's.

Returning to the states to travel with his dog, Bonnie.

John found home in Lincoln City, Or in 2008. He loved walking the beach and visiting with others.

Finding joy in volunteering at the Museum and educating travelers on a walking tour about the history of Taft / Lincoln city.

He also served on the board, as vice president and president.

John loved to read and had time to volunteer in the local library too. When not volunteering, He spent time playing bridge with many friends.

Distance never kept John from spending time with family.

He enjoyed visiting granddaughter's Lyssa and Kayley.

Listening to them laugh, playing games, and sharing in their life as they grow up.

He was a loving and caring person, devoted dad, and friend.

Thinking of others first by being able to lend a hand to others.

John leaves many memories with his family and friends.

Survived by sister Lora Clark of San Diego, Son Jeff his wife Erin, granddaughters Lyssa and Kayley.

In lieu of flowers please donate to the North Lincoln County Historical Museum.

Tribute Wall

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“ I only became acquainted with John while opposing him at the bridge table. John would play duplicate bridge on most Monday and Wednesday afternoons, and he was able to pick up many of the finer points of the game quite quickly to where he became a skilled opponent to all who played opposite he and his partner. John was always there long before the game started to help set up, and was one of the last to leave as he did his share of the clean-up as well. John's manner at the table was exemplary. I never heard him utter a cross word at any of his partners. In that duplicate bridge is a very competitive activity, to maintain his poise when others could not was indeed an admirable accomplishment. If anything, John would direct his displeasure at a result only towards himself. I could tell that John was a very private man, but he blended in exceptionally well with the local bridge community while at the game. I only wish I could have gotten to know him better. He certainly has been and will continue to be missed. He will remain in our thoughts for a long time.

John - February 05, 2017 at 12:00 AM