



Norman Einar Solvik

May 6, 1936 - April 7, 2019

The family of Norman Einar Solvik, age 82, of Decatur, will host a private Celebration of Life at his home at a later date.

Mr. Solvik, formerly of Seattle, WA, passed away peacefully after a hard-fought battle with cancer on April 7, 2019, at his residence. Norman was born May 6, 1936, in Bellingham, WA. He was an only child, raised by his loving parents, Norman Solvik and Alida Markkson Solvik. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Norman completed his education at Western Washington University in Bellingham, served his country for eight years in the Marine Corps, and, in his younger years, worked as a steelworker on the Alaskan Pipeline. Then an opportunity came available to work for The Boeing Company in Seattle. During his dedicated service of 40 years, with many accomplishments and successful programs (B1B Bomber, B1B Bomber simulators in Huntsville, AL, and last but not least the International Space Station, to mention a few) he retired from Boeing in 1996.

Norman was a hardworking and dedicated man to every mission and every challenge he faced, career wise and personally. Always "work hard and play hard" was his mantra. After retirement he enjoyed many rounds of golf, many pitchers of beer in the 19th Hole with his "Retiree Buddies" at Burningtrees

Country Club. He also enjoyed traveling in his RV, woodworking, and watching his beloved Seattle Seahawks. The one thing he missed most when leaving Seattle for Huntsville was cruising the San Juan Islands and salmon fishing in the beautiful Pacific NW.

He always instilled this philosophy in his employees and children: Social Sensitivity-Behavioral Flexibility. He lived by this every day.

He will be sadly and lovingly missed by his wife and best friend of 35 years, Cheryl (Rolstad) Solvik; sons, Rollie, Jason (Jirah), and Jack (Tamami); and his five grandchildren, Sealth, Miwa, Masato, Dreux, and Sweyne.

The family respectfully requests memorial donations be made to Russel Hill Cancer Foundation (Clearview Cancer Institute), 3601 CCI Drive, Huntsville, AL 35805 (www.russelhill.org) or Hospice of the Valley, P. O. Box 2745, Decatur, AL 35602.

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“ *My deepest sympathy to Norman's family and friends. May he rest in peace. Evelyn Bateman.*



Evelyn - August 22, 2019 at 12:00 AM