



## Harold Lavern Uken

October 7, 1935 - April 11, 2012

OBITUARY INFORMATION :: Harold Lavern Uken Harold Lavern Uken was born the son of Edward and Florence (Dow) Uken on Thursday, October 7, 1935, in Wagner, South Dakota. Harold moved to Newberg at a very young age and attended the local schools. He enlisted in the United States Army in 1957 and served in the Vietnam War. Harold was honorably discharged in 1963. After being discharged he moved back to Newberg where he worked several jobs locally until being hired at the local Paper Mill he was there for 32 years until his retirement. In June of 1980 he married Ruth Walker Elston. Harold remodeled homes and commercial buildings. He could fix anything and was the ultimate "jack of all trades". Harold was an avid fisherman a snowbird and also raised cattle. He loved to travel. He was a mentor to his grandchildren, teaching them fishing skills and always gave them words of wisdom. Harold enjoyed his coffee time with his buddies at Amity. He was a lifetime member of the local VFW. On Wednesday, April 11, 2012, Harold Lavern Uken died at his residence when he was seventy six years, six months and four days of age. Surviving and left to honor his life are: His wife Ruth; his son Robert Uken of Southern, Oregon; three daughters, Nancy Holloman of Southern, Oregon, Patricia Landers of Dayton, Oregon and Vicky Yanke of McMinnville; his sister Shirley Hammet of Carlton, Oregon; fifteen grandchildren and six great-grandchildren and those who have come to know and appreciate him where he has lived and worked. Two of his sons, Lonnie Uken and Russell Elston and two brothers Richard and Edward and

one sister Betty Duffield preceded him in death. His Funeral Service will be Friday, April 20, at 11:00 a.m. in Attrell's Newberg Funeral Chapel, with Reverend Peter Blank officiating. Committal Service will follow at Valley View Memorial Park, Newberg. Chapel Viewing and Visitation hours are Wednesday, April 18th and Thursday April 19th, from 9:00 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. at Attrell's Newberg Funeral Chapel. Online condolences may be made at [www.attrells.com](http://www.attrells.com)

# Tribute Wall

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“ I am sorry to hear about the loss of Harold Uken. It seems strange that I am just now aware of my Uncle's Death. I hope Ruth and the rest of the family are doing well. Love Debbie

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**Debra Webb (Duffield)** - February 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“ Harold was my Great Uncle. My mom is Lisa. I'm sorry that I didn't know him better. Today is 4/19/12 and we just heard the news. I'm so sorry for your loss and hopefully him and my grandpa will have a great reunion and I sure know that Great Grandma will be there to greet him along with his other loved ones. Lots of Love, Dawn

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**Dawn Sheets** - April 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ This is from Tina, Angie and Lisa uncle Harold's nieces from his brother Edward. We love you guys and we will miss uncle Harold very much. We will be at the funeral. With love the Uken girl's

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**Tina Tapia** - April 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM