



William "Bill" Howard Larson

January 26, 1926 - April 27, 2014

In Loving Memory Chaplain Bill Larson William Howard Larson was born the son of Chester A. and Elsie E. (Miller) Larson on Tuesday, January 26, 1926 in St. Paul, Minnesota. William grew up in Minneapolis, Minnesota and attended school there. He graduated from Roosevelt High School in Minneapolis and then joined the Merchant Marine Corp. In July 1945 he joined the U.S. Army and was honorably discharged in December 1946. William met Ruth Finn and they were married in Pasadena, California on August 13, 1955. William went to college for his Bachelor's Degree and then attended Western Evangelical Seminary where he received his Master's Degree. He served in churches in California, New Mexico, and Oregon. They came to live in Newberg in 1991. William joined the Newberg Fire and Police Departments as a Chaplain in February 1992. He was an avid reader, enjoyed watching sports-especially baseball, bowling and dancing. On the 27th day of April 2014, William Howard Larson died at home when he was 88 years, 3 months and 1 day of age. Surviving and left to honor his life are: his Daughter-in-law, 6 grandchildren and 8 Great-grandchildren and those who have come to know and appreciate him where he has lived and worked. William's wife, son, daughter, 2 brothers and 3 sisters preceded him in death. His Memorial Service will be Saturday, May 10, 2014 at 4:00 p.m. in Newberg Christian Church, Newberg, reception immediately following. Committal Service will be Monday, May 12th at 2:00 p.m. in Willamette National Cemetery, Portland. Arrangements are in the care of Newberg Funeral Chapel, a Golden Rule

Funeral Home. Online condolences may be made at www.attrells.com
Memorial contributions in his honor may be made to the Newberg Volunteer
Fire Department Association, c/o Attrell's Newberg Funeral Chapel, 207 Villa
Road, Newberg, Oregon 97132.

Tribute Wall

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“ This was my uncle Bill. He was married to my mom’s sister, my aunt Ruth. We spent a lot of time together as I was growing up... I loved to look at his interesting books and sit in his massaging recliner when we visited them. My mom and I moved into a condo in Anaheim after my parents divorced, and we were just a few blocks away from mom’s other sister, my aunt Agness Treadwell. Then aunt Ruth and uncle Bill moved into an identical condo just a few doors away in the same complex. I was going through some rebellious times as a 12-13 year old, and sometimes uncle Bill had to come over and be the disciplinarian in my life. He drove a Chrysler Coronado and they had a Gremlin too. Then they moved away to Lake Oswego Oregon and I only saw them one more time ever. We took a family trip up to stay with them, mom and my two aunts and my uncles all together. We went to Seattle by car and then took a ferry over to Victoria BC and stayed at the Empress Hotel there.

I loved my aunt and uncle, and I was proud of him for being a police chaplain. I wish I had gotten to see them more, but it just wasn’t possible. Mom told me when he passed away, I was very sad.

Here’s a photo from that trip to BC mom on the right, me in the middle, aunt Ruth on the left. I’m pretty sure uncle Bill is taking the picture.



Dana Wells - June 25, 2023 at 08:29 PM

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“ To the family of Bill Larson, We feel very blessed to have known Bill for many years. We just saw this obituary and we are sorry that we missed the Memorial Service for Bill. He was a wonderful gentleman and a true servant of God. We met Bill in the early 1990's when we had a business located in downtown Newberg. He used to stop by and visit us as he did fundraising for the Newberg Volunteer Fire Department. We also saw him many, many times in his Chaplain role for the Fire Department. Bill was very active in the community. Ruth was always at his side. He obviously loved her deeply. We are truly saddened to learn that Bill is gone, but we know that he is with Ruth now in heaven with Jesus. May your entire family be comforted by God in this time of sadness. With prayers, Leslie and Don Lewis

Leslie and Don Lewis, Carlton - May 23, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ *SHADES OF ELEGANCE* was sent by Martin Marietta Materials.

Cheryl Ellison - May 08, 2014 at 12:00 AM