



Eldon Steelman

September 1, 1935 - December 26, 2024

Eldon David Steelman, 89, passed away on December 26, 2024, surrounded by his family. Eldon was born to Alric Steelman and Lucille (Nutt) Steelman on September 1, 1935, in Richland, OR. Eldon attended Cheney Middle School through the 8th grade and later completed his GED.

Eldon served in the United States Marine Corps from May 1954 to July 1956. While living in Spokane, WA, he worked toward a career in construction and eventually joined the United Fellowship of Ironworkers, where he spent sixty-four years as an active member. Eldon met and fell in love with Sheryl a single mother raising her three daughters. They married on November 14, 1964, beginning their lives as a newly formed family of five.

Eldon's career as a construction ironworker took him many places throughout the United States and Alaska working primarily away from home. After residing in several different cities, they finally settled in 1971 on the Brewster bar. They built their dream home together where they lived out the rest of their lives. When he was no longer able to perform the duties of ironwork, he became a welding inspector and welding teacher for Oxarc in Spokane. He loved working with the students as he mentored them as future welders.

In 1975 while working on the Alaskan pipeline, he was introduced to the Lord by a fellow worker and good friend. He became a new man and from then on

it became his life's desire to serve, share his faith and lead anyone he could to the Lord. He served tirelessly while attending the Brewster Assembly of God as most likely the longest serving board member in the church's history. He enjoyed playing board games any chance he got.

Eldon was preceded in death by his parents; daughter, Kimberly Stetner; sisters: Donna Mobley and Margaret Moore. He is survived by Sheryl, his wife of 60 years; daughters: Theresa (Larry) Bowman and Shelly (David) Socci; son-in-law Steve Stetner; eight grandchildren: Benjamin, Andrea, Jaime, Lareasa, Philip, Angela, David J. and Aaron; twenty-two great grandchildren; nine great-great grandchildren; several nieces and nephews and their spouses.

A Celebration of Life service will be held at Barnes Chapel (510 W. Indian Ave., Brewster, WA) on Saturday, May 3, 2025, at 1 P.M., followed by a meal provided by the family at the Brewster Grange.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations be made to the Alzheimer Association or the Brewster Assembly of God.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

MAY 3. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (PT)

Barnes Chapel
510 W. Indian Avenue
PO Box 306
Brewster, WA 98812
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Tribute Wall

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“ *Such a great man. Always there for our family to speak on our behalf for loved ones. I will cherish fond memories of my childhood in your home for Christmas for many years. Love ya.* ”

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