Kenneth Allen "Al" Franklin June 26th, 1930 -May 18th, 2019

In Loving Memory

Al was born June 26th, 1930 in Edmonds, WA to Milburn and Eileen Franklin. Al served in the U.S. Airforce 1949 – 1952 during the Korean War. He spent most of his time during the service in Casa Blanca, Morocco and Tripoli. Always the adventurer, he even went skiing in Africa during his time in the service! Al loved the outdoors- skiing, being one of those activities, is how he met Peggy. She worked at Stevens Pass selling lift tickets. They married on June 30th, 1954. Peggy and Al would have celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary this year.



Al started working with the family boat business, Franklin Boat Works, in the mid '40's assisting his mom & dad. They ran a fishing resort on Picnic Point. When the war came along Al's dad turned the business into a boat building company on the Edmonds waterfront building tugs for the Army and shipping them to Alaska. After his stint in the military, Al worked for Boeing on the SST project (Super Sonic Transport) building model airplanes for the wind tunnel. Al eventually continued his career in the boat business both building, then selling boats for many different boat companies, including Bayliner, Reinell, Fiberform and Campion. Al started his own business and retired after many years as a Manufactures Rep. for several large boat manufactures. Al was also an accomplished pilot and loved to fly. He had a passion for building and flying model airplanes, including a guarter scale Grumman Widgeon that earned him a National Award! Al was an adventurer, and traveled all over the world. He enjoyed, camping, belonging to two Good Sam's camping clubs, boating, skiing, snowmobiling AND fishing. He looked forward to the annual men's fishing trip to Lake Pennask each year. Above all, Al loved being with his family and friends!

A Celebration of Life Honoring

Al Franklin

June 2nd, 2019 at 1 pm The All Saints Center on Raft Island in Gig Harbor



The Lake Is Calling
And I Must Go...
Gone Fishing!