



## Mr Bob G Caton

August 8, 1932 - January 11, 2015

Bob Gene Caton passed away peacefully on January 11, 2015, at the age 82 in Yakima, WA. Bob was born in Julesburg, Colorado on August 8, 1932, to Milo and Pauline Caton.

With his parents, he moved to the state of Washington, settling in Tieton where he attended school, graduating from Highland High School in 1951, where he excelled in all sports. He continued his education at Yakima Valley Community College, again excelling in football and baseball. He received a great reward being chosen "Little All American" in football.

Bob was drafted into the Army and was stationed in Fort Lewis. After his discharge from the Army, he was invited to the New York Yankees spring training camp. After a disappointing shoulder injury, he returned to Yakima and married the love of his life Billie Campbell and together they started a very active life. With his wife, he raised four children and was very active with them.

He continued his education at Central Washington State University receiving his Bachelor degree in education. After brief stops at Kettle Falls, Okanogan and Quincy, in Port Townsend he found the perfect plan to teach and raise their family.

Before moving to Port Townsend he had a great opportunity to briefly play for the Spokane Indians and a great thrill to play on the Yakima Bears 1959 Championship team.

Bob retired from a successful career teaching Physical Education and Woodshop in Port Townsend, WA. He was also a football coach where all three of his sons played and daughter cheer leaded. A great experience.

After retirement, Bob was still active in archery, winning State National Champion in Bare Bow Archery, teaching scuba diving, fishing, and the love of his life - learning to fly and build an airplane.

His first homebuilt was a Long-EZ, 2-seat experimental, followed by a Velocity 4-seat

experimental. In between the two homebuilt, we purchased a Piper Arrow and spent many hours together covering many states.

Bob was a loving husband, father and grandpa. He is survived by his wife, Billie Caton (Yakima, WA) of 58 years of marriage, his son Ron Caton (Port Townsend, WA), grandchildren Ashley Caton and Stephanie Hall, son Steve Caton and Nita (Yakima, WA), son Greg Caton and wife Rhonda (Lake Stevens, WA), grandchildren Alison Brooke and Leah Caton, and daughter Nancy Hart (Tacoma, WA), grandchild Brandon Hart, and brother Jim Caton and wife Charlotte (Tieton, WA).

He is preceded in death by his parents, a brother Junior Caton of Kingman, Arizona, and sister, Dorthy Goldsmith from Moses Lake.

A public viewing will be held Friday, January 16 from 3:00-7:00 p.m. at Shaw & Sons Funeral Directors, 201 N. Second Street, Yakima, WA 98901.

Memorial services will be held Saturday, January 17 at 1:00 p.m. at West Valley Missionary Church located at 11107 Wide Hollow, Yakima, WA 98908.

# Cemetery

**West Hills Memorial Park**  
11900 Douglas Road  
Yakima, , 98908

# Events

<b>JAN 16</b>	<b>Visitation</b>	03:00PM - 07:00PM
	Shaw and Sons Funeral Directors 201 N 2nd St., Yakima, WA, US, 98901	
<b>JAN 17</b>	<b>Funeral Service</b>	01:00PM
	West Valley Missonary Church 11107 Wide Hollow Rd, Yakima, WA, US, 98908	

# Comments

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“ To the Caton Family

I would like to take this time to express my condolences to the entire family. Our thoughts and prayers will be with you. Please be mindful of the encouraging words that God provides for all. He tells us that soon He would remove all sicknesses and death away from the earth. He also states, that even if we should lose a love one in death, He alone has the power to rescue and restore our loves ones back to life. Can you imagine being able to be reunited with many of your family members and friends. Well this is what God is promising us that He would do. There are nine accounts in the bible that speaks about this wonderful arrangement from God. Here is one such example. It is recorded at Luke 7:11-17. Perhaps in the days to come, you may get a chance to consider the account. When doing so, why not think about how the verses would first apply to Bob, as God uses His powers to restore him back to life. Then think about how the verses would next apply to all the family members and friends, as they become eye witnesses to this wonderful expression of love from God. In each of the nine accounts, when a person life was restored, He was welcome back to life by family members and friends. Here is a question that only you can answer. When Bob is restored back to life, will you be one of the many persons who would welcome him back to life? So God has given us His personal promise. The resurrection to life for billions of persons just like Bob will take place. Until this wonderful arrangement takes place, why not read the remaining eight accounts to strengthen your faith and trust in God's personal promise. Remember, God does not lie.(Titus 1:2)

Albert Caldwell Jr - January 22, 2015 at 01:06 PM

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“ 46 files added to the album LifeTributes



Shaw and Sons Funeral Directors - January 16, 2015 at 12:19 PM



“ So sorry for your loss... he will be missed.. he was such a good person...

Rhea Sewell - April 06 at 04:48 PM

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“ I don't even know where to begin. You were such an important part of my life...at a time when Uncles were as close to a Father beyond our own. You treated me as your own. You showed me love and compassion, and were always the straight-shooter. And you never missed the open door (which admittedly I left open a LOT) to tease me, but then laugh and wrap me in the big bear hug. I can honestly say you were one of my first loves.

**Kami Snowden (Goldsmith)** - January 16, 2015 at 11:52 AM

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“ There is so many memories of you Grandpa, the one that stands out the most is when you would take off your prosthetic leg and shook it like a horse moving its head up and down while saying "Neiiiigh". I will always miss your gentle smile, your laugh, actually, I will miss everything about you grandpa. There is not enough words in any language to begin to say how much I miss you and how much I love you Grandpa. Keep sending down those pennies, I will be looking for them.

Love you always!

**Leah Caton** - January 15, 2015 at 09:44 PM

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“ I have so many fond memories of our time spent with you guys at your house. Between the hot tub, flying airplanes or making Mikey puke. I'll never forget the time you took Mikey and I up in your airplane and let him fly. I've never seen him puke so much in my life.  
You are the one person who taught me about prosthetic legs. I remember going to the bathroom and saw your leg and I was so scared. You told me that you secretly were a pirate and lost your leg in an epic fight against other pirates.

I miss you so much already. Rest in peace. You will forever be in my heart and my memories. I love you

**Tahnee Snowden** - January 15, 2015 at 07:11 PM

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“ Hey, Uncle Bob!  
Like Nance, I always liked your easy smile and laughter. I also truly appreciated the way you consistently gave Kami a bad time when I was around. Ha Ha. And nothing ever really bothered you.

I will always remember the times after a meal when we would go in to watch a game or some airplane program on T.V. and you would, always, fall asleep in your chair with a fully lit stogie. And the ability you had to always wake up at the exact time when the ashes were ready to be flicked into the ashtray. Momentary consciousness

and then BAM!- back to sleep. That was so awesome.....as were you.

I shall miss you, sir.

Ron Snowden

Ron Snowden - January 15, 2015 at 05:56 PM

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“ My father was a great man and will be deeply missed. He touched the lives of many and I am the man that I am today because of the values that he instilled in me. From an early age, he taught me to be respectful, courteous and the importance of a hard days work. He always told me that nothing is free in life. If you want something then work hard for it. He was so full of life and lived it to the fullest. Going to miss him so much. Especially his boyish grin and his sense of humor. Love you Dad!!

Gregory Caton - January 15, 2015 at 05:34 PM

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“ We will remember the weekend visits and Dena playing the harmonica with Bob and eating ice cream. But most of we'll remember the love and laughter and his love of family.

Ronda Campbell - January 15, 2015 at 03:23 PM

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“ So many memories to cherish and too many to list. I will miss your contagious smile and deep laugh. Favorite phrase you used to say to me when I would fall down "get up and rub some dirt in it" Because of you I am strong. I'm so proud to be your daughter. Love always, Nancy

Nancy Hart - January 15, 2015 at 09:18 AM

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“ Nancy & Brandon Hart purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Mr Bob G Caton.



Nancy & Brandon Hart - January 14, 2015 at 11:27 AM

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“ Pam McBroom purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mr Bob G Caton.



**Pam McBroom** - January 13, 2015 at 09:06 AM