



John Wesley Crossley

May 30, 1931 - July 20, 2017

Wes Crossley, 86, of Wenatchee, WA passed away peacefully on Thursday, July 20 surrounded by family. Wes was born on May 30, 1931 in Ecorse, MI to John and Bertha Crossley. Wes had two older sisters, Arline and Viola.

When he was a youngster, the family moved from Michigan to Southern California. He excelled in sports, especially baseball. After graduation from Glendale High School in 1950 he signed a professional contract with the Pittsburgh Pirates and played four years in the Minor Leagues with Las Vegas, Bakersfield, Albuquerque and San Antonio.

Injuries forced Wes out of playing baseball to umpiring baseball. He liked being around the game and was soon recognized as one of the best. Soon he was officiating High School Football and Basketball games in the off season.

In 1961, Wes had landed a job umpiring in the Northwest League which he held until 1965. After spending summers in the Great Northwest he thought it would be a good place to live and raise a family. In 1962, he met the love of his life, Marcella.

In the spring of 1966 Wes purchased the Parkway Motel in Chelan. He and Marcella owned the business for 31 years until 1997.

In 2005 Wes and Marcella moved to Wenatchee to be closer to dialysis treatments for Wes.

Wes is survived by his wife of 55 years, Marcella Crossley; son, Brian Crossley (Kim) of Henderson, NV; grandson, Jason Crossley (Angie) of East Wenatchee; granddaughter, Sara Weeks(Richard) of London, England; great-grandchildren, Kaitlynn and Dylan Crossley of East Wenatchee; and sister, Viola Kantat of Chelan. He was preceded in death by his son, Kevin Crossley; grandson, Drew Crossley, and sister, Arline

Friends may visit Jones & Jones – Betts Funeral Home, 302 9th Street, Wenatchee, WA, Monday, July 24 from 2:00 to 4:00 pm. Wes's life will be celebrated on Tuesday, July 25 at 10:00 am at Jones & Jones – Betts Funeral Home. Interment will follow at Fraternal Cemetery in Chelan, WA. A potluck reception will follow at the Eagles Lodge, 209 E. Woodin Ave. in Chelan. Please bring your favorite dish.

Cemetery

Fraternal Cemetery in Chelan
55 Union Valley Road
Chelan, WA, 98816

Events

JUL 25	Service	10:00AM - 11:00AM
	Jones & Jones ~ Betts Funeral Home 302 9thStreet, Wenatchee, WA, US, 98801	
JUL 25	Reception	01:30PM - 02:30PM
	Lake Chelan Eagles 209 E Woodin Ave., Chelan, WA, US, 98816	

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“ Marlene Caputo lit a candle in memory of John Wesley Crossley



Marlene Caputo - August 09, 2017 at 07:26 AM



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“ I could not have asked for a better mentor. Rest in peace my friend, Chuck Chapton

Chuck Chapton - July 24, 2017 at 11:36 PM



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