

Joe Bullivant, 88

May 7, 1912 – Nov. 27, 2000

MANILLA – Joe John, son of Joseph and Grace Parker Bullivant, was born May 7, 1912, in Zion City, IL. As a small child he moved with his family to Oregon and completed high school there. Following his graduation, he worked on the family farm. Feb. 18, 1942, he enlisted in the United States Navy where he was an electrician.

While he was in the hospital recuperating from a service related injury he met a Navy nurse, Bernice "Patsy" Allen. They were married in Havana, Cuba. Shortly after their marriage, Patsy was killed when the ship she was serving on was bombed. Joe received his honorable discharge October of 1945. He returned to Oregon, and then in 1949 moved to Manning, where he did mechanical work until 1957. For 20 years he farmed south of Manilla for Frank and Anna Miller the parents of his dear friend, Helen Rocksien. Also during that time he started farming the Parker farm just north of Manning for Helen. In 1992, he moved to Manilla to care for Helen until her death in 1995. Until 1997 he also continued to farm in Manning. He was a member of the Moose Lodge. Joe lived in Helen's home until 1998, when his health began to fail and he became a resident of the Manilla Manor Nursing Home. He died there Nov. 25, 2000, at age 88 years, six months and 18 days.

Besides his wife, Joe is preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Cleve Bullivant, Lingam Bullivant, Wallgrave Bullivant, Charles Bullivant and Paul Bullivant; sisters, Glaydus Munz, Esther Moore, Lois Jorgensen, Grace Reiher and Eunice Rose; and his lifelong dear friend, Helen Rocksien. He is survived by his brother, Harold Bullivant of Albany, OR; Helen's daughter, Sue Wieland of Anacortes, WA; Helen's nephews, Mike Miller of Prescott and Dave Miller of Harlan; Helen's sisters, Eunice Fay of Canton, MN and Lois Gilbertson of Missoula, MT; Bullivant nieces and nephews, Ruth Porterfield of Eugene, OR; Lavern Munz and Gregory Munz of Sacramento, CA; John Rose of Gold Beach, OR; Elaine Mishler of Shady Grove, OR and Vera Decker of Redmond, OR; and other relatives.

Burial of the cremains will be in the Manning Cemetery in the Spring of 2001. Ohde Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.