



# **E. Boen (Ben)**

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**E**. Boen (Ben) Covey Feb. 27, 1915 - July 10, 2003 A twinkle in the eye, a quip, a smile, a prayer, and a poem - that's how everyone will remember him. To him the glass was always half full, and life was full of many blessings. He valued above all, God, his family, and his country. Boen was born in a one room cabin just outside Glasgow, MT, into a family of storytellers, poets, and music lovers, and he carried on these traditions his entire life. He loved school and determined at an early age that he would go to college. Overcoming several obstacles he enrolled in Montana State College in 1934, and put himself through, graduating in 1938 in Architectural Engineering. It was while he was in college that he met his wife of 59 years, Sylvia Richardson (1917-1997). His career took them many places; the entire western states, the territory of Alaska and Georgia for a total of 9 states. During World War II he served his country in the Navy. A career highlight was Project Engineer for the 1962 Seattle Worlds Fair Monorail. He retired in '85 and they moved to Lakewood in '94. These last three years he entertained at Narrows Glen/ Laurel House. Whenever he went he left a wake of laughter and smiles. He and Sylvia had two children Gaye of West Linn, OR, and Dave of Lakewood, WA. For 15+ years the family lived just outside of Port Orchard. Many lifelong friends and wonderful memories were made there. It was in Port Orchard that Boen began his life long membership in the Masonic Lodge and the Shriners. He also was a Past Worthy Patron in both Eastern Star and Amaranth. In addition to his loving children he is survived by his foster son Don Boivin of San Jose, CA, David's wife Florence, his grandchildren/great-grandchildren; Erik & Julie Daniels and their daughter Rose of Portland, OR; Angie & Bob Moawad and their two children Boen & Grace of Snohomish, WA, and Boen Covey of San Diego, CA; his siblings in California and their families; Lotus Lubinski, Leona Potter, Cleve Covey, and Ardy Colbaugh; a large number of nieces and nephews, and his three brothers-in-law and their families;



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Gordon, Ralph, and Fred Richardson. The family wishes to acknowledge the loving service of Franciscan Hospice, and the special attention given to him from the aides at Laurel House. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, August 2, 2003 at 1:00 pm in the Mt. View Garden Chapel. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his name to the Franciscan Hospice.



## Tribute Wall

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**Anonymous** posted:

Many thoughts to express...letter to follow.##imported-begin##Don and Marie Reak##imported-end##

August 11 at 6:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Ben was our neighbor for many years. He was always a gentleman and a pleasure. It is our privilege to have known him.##imported-begin##Frank and Judy Major##imported-end##

August 11 at 6:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

We will miss him at laure House. I will miss his smile that he gave me every morning, and a hand shake.He also said how wonderful his family was. He does have a wonderful family. God bless him and his family.Ed WernerSecurity Laurel House##imported-begin##Ed. Werner, Security##imported-end##

August 2 at 6:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Dear Dave and GayeWe were sorry to hear of Uncle Boen's passing. We send our condolences to you and yours. Your cousin, Jane (Covey) Cloud##imported-begin##Jane (Covey) and Bill Cloud##imported-end##

July 30 at 6:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

We have your family in our prayers for comfort and reassurance that Uncle Boen is in God's hands. Over the years we enjoyed his poetry regarding the Covey family and all their antics, or should I say adventures. We are sorry we will miss the memorial service, but we will be there in spirit.In Christ's Love,Dan, Sharon & Craig Zimmerman##imported-begin##Dan & Sharon Zimmerman##imported-end##

July 21 at 6:00 PM



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**Anonymous** posted:

I have a lot of good memories, especially on the golf course. He and Myrna are probably creating all kinds of mischief and music in Heaven. We are thinking of all of you and you are in our prayers. Love, Bud##imported-begin##A.L. (Bud) Zimmerman##imported-end##

July 21 at 6:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Dear Gaye and Dave and Don, When I saw the obituary of your father in the Tacoma newspaper, I felt as if I had been hit in the solar plexus. I remember both of your folks very well and always liked them a great deal. They were very good to me as a young person and would listen to whatever I had to say and didn't treat me as kid...Of course I was a kid. Both of my folks are now gone, too. Mom in 98 and Dad in 99. I still can't believe this and miss them greatly. There are gigantic bursts of memory that just stagger me. I know your folks were of the same quality. Dad used to ride the ferry with your father and during the World's Fair, they both were actively involved. Dad was the Budget Director of King County and I know your Dad was one of the key engineers at the Center. I know that my Mom and your Mom were often co-chairs of the PTA at Orchard Heights and were always involved with the schools. As a retired teacher I am more in debt to them than they ever could realize. I am sorry I can't be at the funeral of your Dad on August 2, but my sister Jill's youngest son is getting married that day. I last saw Gaye at a SK job fair about 15 years ago and it was hectic. Dave, I don't know when I last saw you and Don, but maybe it was 40 years ago? Where has the time gone? I just wanted to let you know that there are still a few people from the Port Orchard area who still remember your folks. I guess the giants really are falling. If you would ever like to get together, we are at 425.957.4743 Take care and best thoughts, always. Joel and Sarah Seidel##imported-begin##Joel Seidel##imported-end##

July 18 at 6:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

The Officers and Members of Port Orchard Chapter would like to express their condolences to Ben's family. Ben has been a member of our chapter for fifty plus years and even though we didn't get to see him much, there are still many friends of his attending. He will be missed by all.##imported-begin##Rose Gross, Secretary Port Orchard Chapter #44 Order of the Eastern Star##imported-end##

July 18 at 6:00 PM



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**Anonymous** posted:

Please accept sincere sympathy and condolences on the loss of Ben. My Dad - Darrell - got to meet him and share some time in the dining room at Laurel House over the past four to five months and enjoyed him greatly. We will miss him. From Jim & Darrell Henderson

July 15 at 6:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

In loving memory and sincere sympathy from Jean

July 12 at 6:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

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July 12 at 6:00 PM



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring E. by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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