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**A** Truly Honest Man Born April 25, 1912 in Spokane to Clyde Nelson Tuttle and Emma (Peterson) Tuttle, Ernie passed away in Puyallup, Washington on February 24, 2005, the final day of a brave battle against a multitude of serious medical conditions. In 1917, Ernie's family moved to Midland and eventually, in 1927, to Milton. Using the Interurban for daily transportation, Ernie and his brother traveled to Tacoma to attend the school system there, where Ernie graduated from Lincoln High School in 1929. During WWII, Ernie was employed as a machinist at Boeing, where he retired in the late 1950's, having fulfilled his daily work obligations as well as serving as shop steward for the IAM. In his retirement, Ernie opened and ran several small businesses, including a parking lot just south of Seattle Center during the Seattle World's Fair. During this time, Ernie moved from Milton to a home (with generous space for gardening) he built in Kenndale on Lake Washington, which happened to be next door to hydroplane designer Ted Jones. Into this home Ernie invited his aging parents to live with him. When retirement truly set in, Ernie moved to his beloved twelve acres on the Puyallup River in Orting, where he indulged his lifelong passion for gardening, generously sharing with grateful friends and family not only the harvest of his pastime, but also plants from his greenhouses for their gardens. In the mid-90's, Ernie moved to Fife. Ernie is preceded in death by his parents and by his sister, Dorothy. He survived and will be missed by his brother Robert of Milton, sister, Jannette Keller of Concrete, nephew Richard Tuttle (Gwenda) of Milton, niece Elaine Schrock (Bill) of Olympia, nephew Thomas Thorsen of California, niece Viola Grinnell of Minnesota...numerous cousins, grand nephews and nieces, and loving friends. The family will always be grateful to the kind people in the 500' wing of the Regency rehabilitation center in Puyallup for the caring they showed Ernie. A private ceremony celebrating Ernie's life will be held



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