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Robert Matthew Sr.

La Grande

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On March 31, 2016, Robert Matthew Sr. passed away peacefully in La Grande, Oregon.

Robert was born in Friendship, Tennessee, on June 8, 1925, to Neely Carlton Matthew and Vannie Finley. He served in the U.S. Navy at the end of WW II.

Robert worked hard as a truck driver to take care of his family. When he wasn't working, he loved to go camping and fishing.

In 1957, he married Norma Kelly. They had one son, Robert Matthew Jr., that passed away April 7, 2014. Norma preceded him in death on May 17, 2004, in Richland, Wash.

Robert is survived by a daughter, Sandra Lutz of Kennewick, Wash.; grandson Robert Matthew III of

Benton Harbor, Mich.; granddaughter Vicki Rasmussen; grandson Glen Lutz; great-grandson Taylor Rasmussen of Kennewick, Wash.; and a niece, Margie Champion in Poplar Bluff, Mo.

Robert loved his family above all else and was laid to rest next to his wife in Olney Cemetery, Pendleton, Ore. He will be missed by his family and friends.

