



## Robert L Brown

October 22, 1924 - November 19, 2018

Robert “Bob” Lavern Brown passed away peacefully in his home on November 19, 2018. Bob was born to Bernard and Nellie (Boyd) Brown on October 29, 1924 in Ephrata, Washington. When Bob was around 5 years old Bernard and Nellie moved the family to the Boyd homestead, north of Ephrata.

Bob spent his youth working at the family ranch, farming and raising cattle with his five siblings. Bob had a love for animals and was a true horseman. Throughout his life Bob remained active in farming and was well known in the Coulee City and Highland farming communities. In 1955 Bob married Delma Olin, and they raised their three children in Coulee City. During their time in town Bob worked for “Einer’s” Café and Sporting Goods, and drove fuel truck for the Coulee City Grange Supply – he loved visiting with the farmers during his deliveries.

Bob enjoyed being outdoors whenever possible; he was a crack shot with his 30-30 Winchester and loved fishing and hunting – even hunting coyotes from his Piper Cub airplane! Flying was a passion of Bob’s, and he often shared stories of his adventures in the Piper Cub and the dual wing open cockpit Stearman, which he once took on a solo flight to Mississippi.

In 1982 Bob and Delma returned to the family ranch, and Bob returned to farming, helping local family and friends with their crops. Bob was known for his dedicated work ethic and slightly gruff demeanor, but always had a soft spot for his grandchildren, and great grandchildren. Bob loved family get-togethers and holidays when his grandchildren would fill the small homestead house.

Bob is preceded in death by his siblings Larry Brown, Gilbert Brown, David Brown, Mary Treganowan and Jack Brown; as well as daughters Lois Schutt and Bonnie Brown. Bob is survived by his wife Delma Olin Brown; sons Art Brown and Bill (Mary Noveli) Brown; granddaughters Sacheen Reynolds, Sarah Schutt, and Cassie Kelton; great grandchildren Chloe Kelton, Gabe Kelton, and Raven Reynolds; and numerous nieces and nephews. A memorial for Bob will be held during the spring at the family ranch.