



## Walter James Mensing

October 25, 1928 - May 11, 2021

Walter James Mensing, 92, went home to the Lord on May 11, 2021. Walt was born on October 25, 1928 to Roscoe and Orma Mensing in Medicine Lake, Montana. He had four brothers; Lawrence, Floyd, Willis, and Bill and a baby sister, Dolores. At a young age, Walt and his brothers went to the Montana State Orphans' Home in Twin Bridges, Montana, where he learned to cook, tend to the garden, and do farm work. He excelled at swimming and playing basketball at the orphanage. When he was a teenager, he ran away from the orphanage with a friend and jumped on a freight train to California. As an adult, Walt worked at the Anaconda Copper Mining company in Anaconda, Montana, then joined the Navy in 1947 and was stationed in Guam. After serving, he would find work as an ironworker for many years before going to work at Pacific Industrial Supply in Seattle.

In 2016, he received his honorary high school diploma from the state of Montana. Walt loved spending time with his family, listening to Marty Robbins, dancing, and reading Louis L'Amour. He is lovingly remembered by his wife Joyce; his children; Dakota, Monte, Michelle, LeiLani, Rochelle, Connie, Becky, Thomas, and Travis; his many grandchildren, including special love from Christen, a kindred spirit; and his many friends.

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“ *Lish lit a candle in memory of Walter James Mensing*



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“ *My heartfelt condolences to the family.*

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**Dennis Nelson** - July 27, 2021 at 09:52 PM