

Duane Gilbert Wolter 1935-2020

Duane Gilbert Wolter, 85, passed away December 12, 2020 from complications of Covid-19. He was born on September 25, 1935 in Great Falls, Montana to Alice I. Wolter and Gilbert F. Wolter. He is survived by his daughters Sharyl Wolter (Mark Hanneman) of Rosenberg, TX, Mary Wolter Makowski (Chester) of Houston, son Robert Wolter (Julie) of Rosenberg, TX, granddaughter Kendall Bay (Seth) and great granddaughters Sawyer Grace and Emery Kate, and grandson Adam Stevens (Gohar). Also surviving are his sister Janet Elliott (Richard) of Palm Springs, CA, sisters-in-law Dorine Williams in Everett, WA, Dorothy Norbeck of Keizer, OR, and brother-in-law David Kendall (Arlys) of Clarkston, WA along with numerous family members in Washington State.

He was preceded in death by his beloved wife of 61 years, Marilyn Kendall Wolter and his parents.

While Duane was born in Great Falls, MT, he grew up in Spokane, WA attending Jefferson Grade School, and Lewis and Clark High School. Not being an athlete, he held many part time seasonal jobs, including several years with a magazine distributorship which continued to his freshman year at Washington State University. He graduated in 1957 with a BS in Civil Engineering. After his marriage to Marilyn in April 1957, the year became even more memorable with his graduation in June, first job, and the birth of their first child in December. In June he Joined Shell Oil Company at Anacortes, WA and remained there for 10 years before transferring to Wood River, IL, Cardon, Venezuela and ultimately to Shell's offices in Houston. Over his 36+ year tenure, he served as an engineer and instrument engineer in project design and startups and ended with 15 years as Manager of Measurement and Loss Control with Shell Pipeline Co. in Houston. Duane was active in the Instrument Society of America and the American Petroleum Institute and served in many leadership positions. Following retirement in 1994 he became active in the Sugar Land First United Methodist Church and

the Sugar Creek Country Club, family, travel and a new found pleasure, fly fishing in and around Steam Boat Springs, Colorado.

A memorial service will be scheduled when the community is safe for gathering, to be held at the Sugar Land First United Methodist Church, 431 Eldridge Road, Sugar Land, TX.

If desired, memorial donations in Duane's name may be directed to the Tuesday Morning Volunteers at Sugar Land First United Methodist Church, or a charity of your choice.