



# Walter Eric Garvin

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## Walter Eric Garvin

Walt was born March 19, 1932 in Gold Beach OR, to Doyle and Amanda Garvin. Walt passed away on March 15, 2025, just four days before he would have been 93. Walt was preceded in death by his parents and older brother Vern (Dorthy). He is survived by his two younger brothers, Glenn and Richard (Rainie). Walt is survived by his wife of 69 years, Pat and 5 children, Carol, Roger (Robin), Theresa (Bryan), Lou Ann (Neal), and Barbara (Jojo). Walt has 13 grandchildren and soon to be, 24 great grandchildren. Walt grew up with his 3 brothers on a dairy farm on the southern Oregon Coast. He had stints in the Army and logging before going to Oregon Institute of Technology to gain his degree in mechanical engineering. He worked for many years in the electronic industry as it was established in Oregon. He loved to solve problems and develop creative solutions. He found great joy in spending time outdoors with others. Many miles were spent hiking, backpacking and camping. His pride and joy were the 500 acres of timberland that he co-owned with Pat and the children. He spent endless hours trekking the property, building a "chateau", planting trees and watching the wildlife that inhabited this special place. Walt was active in various organizations as a Boy Scout Leader, a Master Woodlander and the Trails Club. Gardening and woodworking were his hobbies that kept him going. He spent many hours in the Rose Villa woodshop and always grew a big garden to share produce with friends and neighbors. A Memorial service will be held at Rose Villa in the PAC at 1:00 on July 26th . Please send donations in memory of Walt Garvin to Forest Forever, Inc for Hopkin Demonstration Forest at P O Box 1320 Oregon City, Or 97045

Thank you to the staff of Madrona Grove at Rose Villa who watched over and cared for Walt these last couple of years.




# Events


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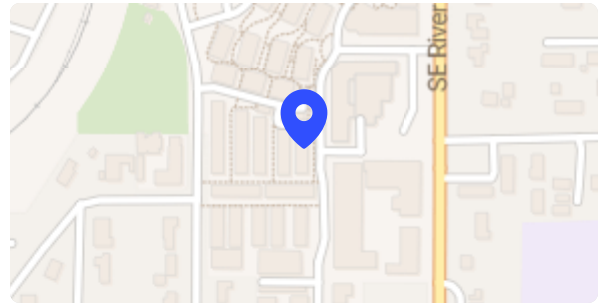
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## Memorial Service

 **Saturday**, July 26, 2025

 1:00 PM PT

 **Rose Villa Senior Living**  
13505 SE River Rd, Milwaukie OR 97222





## Tribute Wall

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PR

**Pat Reneau** posted:

I got to know Walt on his many trips to the Trails Club lodge. He and my husband (Jerry Reneau) spent many hours helping rebuild Nesika Lodge. I was always impressed by the depth of his knowledge in the area of engineering and nature. He will be truly missed.

July 21 at 9:19 AM

SH

**Scott Hanson** posted:

I knew Walt as a fellow board member of Clackamas County Farm Forestry Association many years ago. I heard about his connection to timberland in southwest Oregon. And I knew he liked to hike and backpack by his affiliation with Trails Club. Walt was a great guy I am glad I met. RIP, Walt

July 11 at 4:25 PM

BE

**Barbara Nc Entsuah** posted:

I became a part of the Garvin family when they welcomed me as an AFS foreign exchange student in 1984. I had a wonderful experience as Walt became dad and Pat was mum. He taught me so many things about life in America. We went hiking and backpacking which was fun and my husband and kids in the later years were also introduced to that. We have always maintained contact and I saw him quite recently when I was in Milwaukee for my Rex Putman high school 50th year reunion. Dad you will always remain in my heart. May you Rest in Peace.

March 30 at 6:03 PM

KA

**Karen** lit a candle in honor of Walter.

Ron and I were remembering the backpack trip to the Wallowas that Walt took a group of us on. One evening, we all laid on a tarp he brought to watch the perseid meteor showers. We will never forget that (& many other hiking, backpacking, and camping stories). I'm sure Walt is leading a group on an adventure in Heaven right now!

March 20 at 6:51 AM





# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Walter by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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