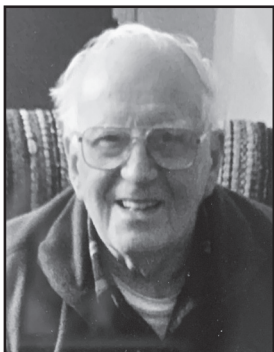


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# DALE PETERSON



Dale Jerome Peterson passed away at age 95 from this life, March 18, 2020. He was born Jan. 4, 1925, to parents, Leonard and Irene Peterson. Dale's first nine years were spent living on a 160 acre farm in Newman Grove, Neb. There, he rode his pony to and from elementary school, several miles from his home. He lived on the farm until he and his family moved to Washington State in 1934, at the age of nine, and has lived in the Battle Ground area until his death. Dale attended schools in Newman Grove, Neb., Hockinson and Battle Ground. He graduated from Battle Ground High School in 1942.

Dale then entered the United States Navy and served in the South Pacific during World War II on the LST US 987. After the war, Dale returned to Battle Ground and worked at the Clark County Dairymen's Cooperative grocery store. While working there, he met and married Frances Lahti (who passed away Sept. 10, 1994) June 28, 1946. He and Frances raised three sons, Roger (Donna), Loren (Bonnie) and Dean (Lynn), all now

living in the Battle Ground and Vancouver areas. Dale has eleven grandchildren and eighteen great-grandchildren.

He played baseball as short stop and in the outfield for the Clark County Dairymen's baseball team, a semi pro team with the Portland League in the late 1940's. Dale was one of several baseball supporters, and in the late 1950's, helped organize and coached the first Battle Ground Little League Baseball team, which is still providing youth with baseball experience today.

Dale graduate from a business school in Vancouver, Wash., with a business/accounting degree. He worked for the Battle Ground School District for many years and worked there until his retirement in 1980. Dale was instrumental in converting the district's manual accounting system to a modern computerized reporting system. He was an avid horse enthusiast and owned several quarter horses. Dale was a member of the Clark County Saddle Club. He enjoyed riding horses and interaction with fellow members.

After his retirement from the school district, he worked at the Cedar's Golf Course as a course maintenance staff person. He thoroughly enjoyed the outdoors, listening to music of all kinds, playing the guitar and being with his family.

To view the obituary, please go to [thereflector.com/obituaries](http://thereflector.com/obituaries).

