

Ray Wesley Sammeli
October 28, 1946 - October 14, 2015

Ray Wesley "Butch" Sammeli,, 68 of Bremerton, WA, passed away on Oct 14, 2015 at his childhood home in Bremerton. Ray was born in Bremerton on October 28, 1946 to Wesley E. and Ann E. (Nuttbrock) Sammeli. After his return from Vietman, he worked for the moving and storage business for over 40 years as a warehouseman.

He is preceded in death by his parents, sisters Debbie Roberts & Mary Sammeli; and son Gregory B. Sammeli. He is survived by his wife Betty A (Kramer) Sammeli; sons Troy Cousins, Raymond G. Sammeli, Mike Bell, Mark Bell; and daughters Torrie Prante, Sheila (Sammeli) McCoy, and Sandra L (Sammeli) Rice.

Services will be held at Rill's Life Tribute Center at 11:00 am on October 23, 2015 with military Graveside Service following at Sunset Lane Memorial Park in Port Orchard. A reception will follow at F.O.E. Hall on Jackson in Port Orchard. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the Gregory B. Sammeli Scholarship Fund at Connection Credit Union. A memorial webpage can be accessed at www.rill.com

Cemetery	Events		
Sunset Lane Memorial Park	ОСТ	Celebration of Life	11:00AM
1000 Bethel Ave	23		

Port Orchard, WA, 98366

Rill's Life Tribute Center

1151 Mitchell Ave, Port Orchard, WA, US, 98366

## Comments



I am still in shock. Going over almost 50 years of memories that pop up when you least expect. Cannot even imagine the grief that is felt by his wife and children. He and they will always be family. So loved and so missed.



Karen Braget - November 01, 2015 at 12:52 PM



Nanci sent a virtual gift in memory of Ray Wesley Sammeli



Nanci - October 30, 2015 at 08:34 PM



Nanci lit a candle in memory of Ray Wesley Sammeli



Nanci - October 30, 2015 at 08:34 PM



66 Dee Larson lit a candle in memory of Ray Wesley Sammeli



Dee Larson - October 24, 2015 at 02:24 PM



66 Butch,,Rest easy now Butch..you may be gone from this earth,,but you will live in my memory forever...I love you Butch ...some day we all will together again...Till then...Always in my heart <3

Dee Larson - October 24, 2015 at 02:27 PM



My brother just called to tell that Butch Sammeli died. My heart is broken. You always were a great guy. Husband and Father. Debbie was a great friend of mine and now you are reunited. Your son Tim who died so young was such a tragic thing for your family to go though. I'm so sad for Betty and your children. Words can not express.



Gail Brown - October 22, 2015 at 10:45 PM



66 Betty, that man of yours will be missed at the Flea Market. Rest in Peace Ray! Wendy Rushing - October 23, 2015 at 09:20 AM



I called Greg, Tim. He was Butches son. I never met him but saw pictures from his Uncle when I would run into him at QFC. He looked a lot like Sheila. I love the Sammeli family. I know that it will never be the same without Butch. God be with the family and comfort them,

Gail Brown - October 28, 2015 at 03:02 PM





CURT Conrad lit a candle in memory of Ray Wesley Sammeli



CURT Conrad - October 22, 2015 at 10:43 PM



Butch, I can't thank you enough for always being there for me. Most just turned the other way but you never hesitated to help me and get me going in the right direction again. You are one of the truest and most genuine friends anyone could ask for and will be greatly missed. Whenever I hear the roar of a healthy v8,the smell of tire smoke after long burnout, see a 57 chevy or hear the talk of a Chevy 302, I will remember and cherish the times I got to spend with u



CURT Conrad - October 22, 2015 at 10:41 PM



I will never forget Butch's awesome sense of humor. Waking a house-full of us, all over for Sandys bday with an air-raid siren was one of my fondest memories.....I look forward to when my daughter is old enough to torment so loving.

I love you all, Sammeli Family

Love love love Melissa Swetland



Melissa Swetland - October 22, 2015 at 04:09 PM



66 Lovingly

Melissa - October 22, 2015 at 04:10 PM



66 Melissa Swetland sent a virtual gift in memory of Ray Wesley Sammeli



Melissa Swetland - October 22, 2015 at 04:04 PM





Pam King lit a candle in memory of Ray Wesley Sammeli



Pam King - October 21, 2015 at 06:23 PM



66 Betty and family, our prayers are with you all at this time. We are sorry that we can not be there for the memorial service, but our thoughts are with you all. God bless.

Pam King - October 23, 2015 at 01:04 PM



**66** BUTCH was my good trusting friend of many years I am going to miss you ,and miss your bragging about my BBQ,S I will miss our talks and hanging out at swap meets talking about all the we would like to have and the things we got rid of that we should have kept and talks about hot rods we had and were still wanting to build I love ya man RIP. JOHN ANDERSON.

JOHN ANDERSON - October 21, 2015 at 03:02 PM



When I was a little girl we went to Chinese I thought the egg soup looked gross cause it looked green and my uncle Butch said "eat it it'll make your boobs grow " I was almost a pretty teen at the time and I ate the heck out of that soup I love you and will miss you uncle Butch



Rachell Roberts - October 21, 2015 at 11:31 AM



Butch...you are so missed by so many... The love you gave to us all is never ending.. You are with your loved ones in Heaven now. You came into my life many years ago..and gave me. Beautiful niece Sheila.. For that I am so grateful..know that she will be loved and supported by us all.. I give Betty and the family my sympathies and love.. Finally I thank you for your service..and protecting my freedom....

R.I.P. and God Speed...

Nanci Bullard Miller - October 21, 2015 at 10:33 AM



**66** Linda Z. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Ray Wesley Sammeli.



Linda Z. - October 21, 2015 at 03:31 AM



66 Linda Zapp-Flesch lit a candle in memory of Ray Wesley Sammeli



Linda Zapp-Flesch - October 21, 2015 at 02:34 AM



Ray, I am so saddened by your sudden passing. The Monday night groups will not be the same with out you.i miss how we kidded each other at the Bremerton Swap Meets. You would say that you would warn the little old ladies to watch out for Harvey, here he comes. We would always laugh and kid each other about that. You were a real gentleman and will truly be missed. Best to Betty and the rest of your family. RIP, Ray.

Harvey Kravitz

Bremerton,

WA

Harvey Kravitz - October 21, 2015 at 08:38 PM



My one and only true love. Thank you for all the love, our children, being the best Dad ever, the trust you had in me, always there for me, help making me into a stronger person, the 57Chevy and the fun rides, loved it when you would step on the gas, you always got a big smile in you face. boy I sure do miss your smile. You were the most faithful husband any girl could have wanted and you were all mine and always will be in my heart and soul. There is so many other memories the kids being born and the loss of our Greg Will close for now you know what is in my heart and will stay the love I have for you.



Betty Sammeli - October 21, 2015 at 12:36 AM



The memorys that I have I could speak about all night just wanna say I appreciate everything your family did for me growing up butch you where an amazing man and your family was amazing love you all with all my heart your never forgotten



Anthony lillybridge - October 20, 2015 at 09:55 PM



I'll always rember more dumpster chips than one suburban can hold lol you will be missed but not forgotten



Ryan Damek - October 20, 2015 at 05:09 PM



For you Butch,, with so much love,, I will keep this lit for you in Heaven,,.. Dee



Dee Larson - October 20, 2015 at 04:09 PM



...Just where do I start?? Have so many memory's of you in our family Butch ,,,You and your first wife.(.Mary..she is passed away:() at Grandma's,,Grandma sewing your work jeans ,, sewing patches on the knee's of your jeans,, having spaghetti dinners every Sunday night, talking of your time in Vietnam .many with tears from Butch,,,was so hard for us to listen,,Butch and Mary got divorced,,and Butch married Betty.,,They still came almost every Sunday,pretty soon the babies came from Butch and Betty and Grandma and all of us loved them!!! what hair on those boys,,and Sandy what a doll..Raymond and Greg,, both with black curly hair,,, what a loving family they were,, Time and years went by,, still happily after all these years,, Now Butch has passed away,,and now Butch is with Greg in heaven,, my family is so heart broken,, so I say to you,, Butch R.I.P,, your in the arms of Jesus,, and with Greg and the loved ones that have passed before you,,I will always ,,ALWAYS remember you and Love you ,, and I thank you for all the memory's you have given all of us,, Dee..I will MISS YOU Butch,,:(

Dee Larson - October 20, 2015 at 04:08 PM



You have touched so many. You will truly be missed.... It was because of you, I did what I needed to do to take care of my VA disability. The talks we had, the hugs you have, and the smile you always wore..... I will miss you Butch.



Nina Blaylock - October 20, 2015 at 03:20 PM



Butch, I will always remember you for your sense of humor and am forever blessed for all the great childhood memories. Summertime cruising in the Suburban, air raid sirens, gas masks and war movies at every sleepover, and car shows at the A&W. Every time my son gets excited seeing an old car I think, "Butch would be proud." Butch, Thank you for opening your home and your heart to so many of us crazy kids and making us all a part of your family. Our world is not the same without you.

Kelli Mitzner - October 20, 2015 at 02:15 PM



My Uncle Butch oh how you made our childhood full of great memories. Like the times we hung out at car shows. Always getting A&W rootbeer floats. Or taking us trick or treating following close behind in your suburban to make sure we were safe. The god awful siren early in the am at sleep overs. To picking us up if we had to much to drink. Thank You for being an amazing Uncle Father and Friend. Please tell Greg we all miss him dearly too. I Love You Rest in Peace although Greg might not allow the peaceful part. Lol.



Afton Braget - October 20, 2015 at 01:17 PM



66 I loved the car shows. He was a great father, uncle & so much more.

Kathy Arrington - October 20, 2015 at 06:21 PM



You will be missed dad. I will always cherish the times we had together, from the war movies, war stories, walks & how you always made me laugh when I was sad. You were the best father a girl can ask for. Xoxoxoxo



Kathy Arrington - October 20, 2015 at 12:19 PM



**66** The Sammeli's are great for making you laugh in a time of sadness. **Afton** - October 20, 2015 at 01:19 PM



Yes they are, dad was always making me laugh & I will miss his Jokes & smile. I will see you all this Friday, love you !!!

Kathy Arrington - October 20, 2015 at 06:17 PM



You will always be my dad. From the sirens in the early morning to yelling at me for smelling up the house with acrylic. Sadness and joy at the same time. The Sammeli family won't be the same without you. I love you Butch. Rest easy and tell Greg I love him too. Xoxo Jenni-girl



Jenn - October 20, 2015 at 11:44 AM



I will miss my long time friend but I will always remember Butch , the good times we had in school , when we were soldiers , and in our lives to present . An old friend , Mike Daugherty

Mike Daugherty - October 20, 2015 at 11:09 AM





## Lori Zinter lit a candle in memory of Ray Wesley Sammeli



Lori Zinter - October 19, 2015 at 08:40 PM