

Bonners Ferry Herald  
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## Eugene Frank Vlasak, 84

Eugene Frank Vlasak, 84, passed away Jan. 11, 2005 at the Extended Care Facility of Boundary Community Hospital.

Gene was born April 26, 1920 in Natal, British Columbia to James and Anna Vlasak, and had six siblings. He was raised and attended school in Canada until the family moved to Copeland, Idaho in 1937, and finished school in Bonners Ferry in 1939.

He went to work for the

Great Northern Railway in 1940 putting in 41 years of service retiring from Burlington Northern in 1981. There was a break in his railroad career between early 1942 and the middle of 1945 for a stint in the U.S. Army during World War II, serving in the U.S. and Europe.

In 1951, Gene met Delores Glowaski in Vancouver, British Columbia. They married on April 26, 1952 and made their home in Bonners

Ferry to raise their 3 children.

Gene was preceded in death by his father and mother, his wife Dorie and sisters Bessie, Annie and Mae.

He is survived by his sister Lillian Desjardin of Cache Creek, B.C., sister Viola of Sandpoint, Id., brother Emil of Spokane, Wa., son Wayne of Glen Ellyn, Il., son and daughter-in-law Norman and Kathy of Tacoma, Wa., son Steve of Tacoma, Wa., granddaughter Becky Tachell and her hus-

band Art Tachell of Tacoma, Wa., great grandsons Eric and Jonathan, great granddaughters Alyssa and Jessica all of Tacoma, Wa., four nieces, five nephews, and the other kids Bruce and Debbie Teter of Bonners Ferry.

A heartfelt thanks goes out to all the staff at Boundary Community Hospital who helped with his care during his stay there.

A private memorial is to follow.