Robert Isaac Watson Jr., 88, died April 27, 2022, at his home in La Grande, Oregon. He was born March 22, 1934, to Robert Isaac Watson Sr. and Irene May (Goff) Watson.

Robert graduated from Baker High School in Baker, Oregon. He served 4 years in the United States Navy aboard the USS Vaughan and Richard aircraft carrier.

After the United States Navy, he worked for and retired from the United Pacific Railroad. He worked various truck driving jobs. He worked for Community Connection and retired there.

He enjoyed fishing, hunting, and spending time at his ranch in Keating, and loved visits from his grandkids and great-grandkids.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Ruth Lea Watson, and son, Daniel Scott Watson, his parents, 1 brother, and 2 sisters.

Survivors are son Douglas A Watson (Michelle), grandkids Stephanie Barnett (Kirk), DJ Watson (Morgan), David Watson (Kellie), three step-granddaughters and 12 great-grandkids, his siblings: two brothers Mike Watson (Debbie), Larry Watson (Myrna), three sisters Helen Lefever, Sharon Brainard (Jerry), MaryJo Zimmer (Allan) and numerous nieces and nephews.

A service will be held at a later date at Mount Hope Cemetery in Baker City, Oregon.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society through Gray’s West & Co. Pioneer Chapel at 1500 Dewey Ave., Baker City, OR 97814.

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