## **OBITUARIES**

geles, and Joan and Ken Kadlec, of Mount Vernon; brother Ken Gross, of Portland, Ore.; sister Mayme Henderson, of Maples, Minn.; seven grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Harper Ridgeview Funeral Chapel in Port Angeles was in charge of arrangements.

## Harold J. 'Randy' Randolph

A service will be held at a later date for Sequim resident Harold J. "Randy" Randolph, who died Jan. 30, 2006, at the age of 95.

He was born Dec. 28, 1910, in Rock Rapids, Iowa, to Harry L. and Vina (Boomgaarden) Randolph.

His mother died when he was 4. From ages 13-18, he helped his father farm 650 acres with 40 head of horses, without electricity or running water. He helped



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his father with farm chores before and after school. He graduated from both grammar and high school in Rock Rapids.

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Mr. Randolph did road surveying and bridge construction during summers to pay college expenses. He graduated from Iowa State University at Ames with a bachelor of science degree in general engineering in 1933. He belonged to Sigma Chi fraternity.

During the Depression, he worked for the Continental Illinois National Bank & Trust in Chicago before leaving to take an engineering sales training course with Westinghouse in Pittsburgh, Pa.

He remained with Westinghouse for seven years, working in upper New York state. He then worked for S & C Electric Co. in Chicago, manufacturers of high voltage and military items in the wartime radar field. He then worked for J.J. Costello Co. of Boston, electrical manufacturing agents.

In 1940, he married Ruth Stone of Roanoke, Va. The couple had two daughters, Trena and Ann. The marriage ended in

divorce in 1962.

In 1949, he founded Randolph Industries, serving Southern California, Nevada, New Mexico and Arizona and providing electrical and electronic field services for technical manufacturers. The company grew to 30 employees. He sold the business to its employees in 1969 and retired.

He married June E. "Betty" Parker in North Hollywood in 1963. They purchased a 267-acre farm in northern New Hampshire of mostly timber. They developed a Christmas tree farm of 28,000 trees and practiced organic farming.

They moved to Gardiner where he was involved in community affairs, and later to Sequim where he was active in Master Gardeners and Over the Hill walking club. He also volunteered for the Sequim Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Randolph is survived by his daughters and sons-in-law Trena and Robert L. Taylor Sr., of Cary, N.C., and Ann and Clive Rogers, of Stroud, Glos, England; four grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

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