

# REMEMBERING Helmut Gehringer

July 30, 1927 - October 12, 2011



# **Tribute from Nunes-Pottinger Funeral Service Staff**

Nunes-Pottinger Funeral Service Staff send our condolences to family and friends. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

### Tribute from John and Janie Hood

Relation: As a casual friend

Many good memories whether servicing our VW, as a parent of Walter and Gordon, our discussing vineyard and wine politics, fishing, etc. He always had time for us and was a fine friend. We share in your loss and your memories. John and Janie

### Tribute from John and Darlene West

Relation: wine industry

John and Darlene

Gordon and Walter, our condolences to you and your family.

# Tribute from Lisa Kunz

Relation: Family Friend

I feel very blessed to have known Helmut. He was a wonderful friend that taught me so many things. I haven't worked at the winery in over ten years but my memories of talking to him about camping, washing windows, grapes, cars, Cathedral Lakes, and just wonderful funny stories are still so strong. My thoughts and prayers are with the family.

### Tribute from Lynn and John Bremmer

Relation: Friend

Hi Betty, Walter and Gordon

It took us a while to read the paper and find out Helmut had gone to a bigger vineyard in the sky. So sorry and this is a loss for all of us. Helmut was always a f riend and willing to help in any way he could. I remember one example: I was futily working away at Similkameen Vineyards and Helmut drove up and told me to get in. He said it was not a good idea to work all the time. We then drove up the Cathedral Lakes Resort, had a bottle of wine, he checked the diesel generator and we came back. it was a wonderful break and it was so appreciated. That was the type of person he was and for that was greatly admired. We were always proud to call him a friend.

We will have a glass of wine and remember him fondly.

## **Tribute from Laurel Pinske**

Relation: customer and family acquaintance

Dear Betty, Gordon, Walter and families:

I am so saddened to hear of the passing of your husband and father.

My first introduction to Mr Gehringer was when he owned the service station at the top of the hill. I was 16 and my brother had left me his old VW Beetle to learn to drive on. So exciting!!! I read the owner's manual and did everything I could myself and then my dad sent me to the best place in town to make sure all was well with my "new" vehicle. When I went back to pick it up, Mr Gehringer took me into the shop and showed me the old parts he had removed and explained in great detail why they needed to be replaced. I had no idea what he was talking about, but I never forgot how he treated me as if I understood every word. Such a man of integrity. If only we had more of them today.

May you find comfort in knowing he will not be soon forgotten by those who were touched by his life. Laurel (Burt)

