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David Steele passed away at age 86 after a short illness.

He proudly served six years in the Navy, including on the USS Coral Sea. After coming to Corvallis in 1971, he worked 32 years at the Evanite Hardboard plant. Upon retirement, he became an active member of the Oregon O Gauge Model Train Club. He was a true history buff, continually reading. Traveling was a favorite pastime. “The grass didn’t grow under his wheels”. He and his wife, Karen, visited all 50 states. They took their trailer across the entire country to the start of Highway US 1 in Key West, Florida and across Canada to the farthest eastern point in Nova Scotia.

David was very proud of his family. He is survived by Karen, his wife of 55 years. Son Anthony (Cathleen), grandsons Connor, Mitchell and William. Son Adam (companion Amy Bartow), grandchildren Emma, Christian, and Andrew (their mother Nicole).

No formal service is planned. Donations can be made to Lumina Hospice & Palliative Care, 720 SW 4th Street, Corvallis OR 97333.

McHenry Funeral Home is handling arrangements. Please share your thoughts and memories for the family at www.McHenryFuneralHome.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Sierra and remember Dave sharing his trains and helping the kids at Dixie Creek.*

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