



## Joseph "Joe" R Bittler

June 14, 1924 - March 17, 2016

Joe Bittler, 91, of Toledo, Oregon, passed away on March 17th, 2016. Joe was born in Silverton, Oregon on June 14th, 1924, to Bernard and Lillie Fieber Bittler, as the fourth of six sons. He was raised and attended schools in Mt. Angel, Oregon. Following his graduation, he joined the US Army Air Corp, serving as a Bombardier for two years.

After his discharge from the service, Joe and three of his brothers went into business together, operating Texaco Service Stations in Toledo, Siletz, and Newport. In the mid-1950's, they expanded thier business to "Bittler Bros. Sporting Goods" stores in Toledo, and Newport. The Newport store was the last remaining business, and Joe kept it running with the help of his son until 2009.

Joe was an avid hunter and fisherman all of his life, and he spent many hours at his cabin on the Big Elk.

Joe and Virginia Persinger were married on January 9th, 1955 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Newport, Oregon.

Joe is survived by his wife of 61 years, Virginia, and their four children: Marci Bittler, of Waldport, Bruce Bittler and his wife Teresa of Baker City, Gregg Bittler of Toledo, and Janet Frink of Grants Pass. He is also survived by four

grandsons, two granddaughters, and three great grandchildren. His brother-in-law Don Persinger of Newport and sisters-in-law Mary Persinger of Sacramento, California, and Pat Bittler of Toledo, also survive him.

He was preceded in death by his parents and five brothers.

There are no services planned. Family assistance is being entrusted by Bateman Funeral Home.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Uncle Joe, last of the 'Bittler Bros', RIP. Alan, your nephew and paperboy.*

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**Alan Bittler** - May 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Louis Fusco lit a candle in memory of Joseph "Joe" R Bittler*



**Louis Fusco** - April 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ *God be with you and give you peace.*

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**J. Bindley** - March 25, 2016 at 12:00 AM