

**OBITUARY**

**TWIN HARBORS**

**Adolph Bednarik**

Adolph Bednarik, 93, died August 26, 2009, in Lacey, Washington. He was born in Aberdeen, Washington to Andrew and Anna Bednarik in 1916, and was raised in the Wishkah Valley.

Adolph graduated from W.S.U. with a major in forestry and later at-

He loved sharing his interests in history, reading, farming and forestry with his family.

In addition to his wife, Gloria, he is survived by a brother, Jerry Bednarik, of the Wishkah Valley, and a sister, Adeline Gauspol, of Connecticut. He was a wonderful father to Janet (Mitch) Schostak, Danville, Wash.; Nancy (Joseph) Naujokas, Livonia, Mich.; Leo (Chris) Bednarik; Olympia; Jeanne (William) Connor, Winchendon, Mass.; Julie (Rich) Iversen, Astoria, Ore., and Thomas Bednarik, of the family home.

He was a beloved grandfather to 16 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren. He is preceded in death by a brother Andrew, a sister, Klara Kegg, a son James and a grandson Mark Schostak.

A funeral Mass will be held at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Lacey, Wednesday, September 9, 2009 at 10:00 am.

Reception to follow in the church hall, (812 Bowker SE)

tended graduate school at U.W. He joined the US Army during WWII and served his country honorably. Stationed mainly in New Guinea and Australia, he had many amazing stories which he only began sharing with family in his later years. He worked side by side with Archibald Roosevelt, son of Theodore Roosevelt. The natives of New Guinea hailed him as a hero for saving their village from starvation.

Post war, Adolph returned to the states and headed to Alaska to resume his career with the U.S. Forest Service. He met and married his wife, Gloria, in Cordova, Alaska in 1946. He brought Gloria to Washington to begin their 63 year marriage. During that time, Adolph farmed in Wishkah and Porter. He returned to the USFS, working at Lake Quinault from 1959-1973, then North Bend, until retiring in 1982 to their farm in Porter. In 1999, he moved one final time, to Lacey.

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