## **George Brennen** 1925-2010

Born in Twin Falls Idaho on 7-28-1925 he passed on 4-12-2010.



👺 During World War 11 at the age of 17 George enlisted in the Marine Corps. He was a member of the 4<sup>th</sup> Raider Battalion and saw action in the Solomon Islands, Emiru Island, St Mathias Group, Guam (where he was wounded in action), Okinawa, Hyukyu Islands and then the occupation of Japan.

👺 Since that time George has led a very busy life. In 1968 George and his wife Lorraine moved to Alaska where he worked as an executive for the Boy Scouts of America. In 1979 they made the move to Hawaii and George has helped in the community since that time.

👺 He was a board member of Leilani Community Assoc. for 13 years, and the treasurer for twelve. He was an usher greeter at the Church of the Holy Apostles. He had been a member of the Seniors of Paradise since 1982 and also the senior art group of Paradise Painters. George has been a life member of VFW Post 3830 since 1985 and had held several positions including the position of chaplain since 1998. He was also an active member in several other organizations including the Military Order of the Purple Heart, The Disabled American Veterans Post #9, the U.S. Marine Raiders Assoc and the 6th Marine Division Assoc.

After George's wife died of cancer in 2001 he became a volunteer at the Hospice of Hilo and was named outstanding volunteer in 2003. He also volunteered and did visitation at Hale Anuenue Restorative Care Center.

Even though he was slowed somewhat by his wheel chair George still was active as our Chaplain and helped with our Buddy Poppy Drive where all the proceeds go to relief efforts.

George's motto was "**Don't put off telling people how much** they mean to you. Live every day as if it's your last."

George's ideals and service embody what the VFW is all about. Thank You George for all that you have done, you will truly be missed by all.



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