Orville "Jay" Stocks, 81, of Townsend, Mont., passed away peacefully surrounded by his family on July 23, 2013.

Jay was born on Oct. 14, 1931, in Harbor Beach. He married Margery Anne Williams on March 6, 1953, and together they had five children. They moved to Townsend in 1969.

He graduated from Harbor Beach High School in 1949. He was honorably discharged from the United States Coast Guard in 1952.

Jay is preceded in death by his son, Douglas Jay, and his parents, Guy and Gertrude.

He is survived by his wife, Margery; son, Jeff (Kerry)and granddaughters Kaitlin and Paige; son, Mike (Peggy); grandsons Joe and J.D. (Launi) and great-granddaughter Gracie; daughter, Sue (Jim) and granddaughters Anna and Alexandra Brammer; daughter, Anne (Brian) and granddaughters Katherine and Jenna and grandson Dillon Bellew; sister, Judy Shobert; brother, Terry (Janet) and numerous nieces and nephews.

A graveside service will be conducted at 1 p.m. Friday, Aug. 16, 2013, at Montana State Veterans Cemetery at Fort Harrison in Helena, Mont. There will be a reception follow the graveside service at 3 p.m. at the American Legion, 211 Broadway St., Townsend, MT 59644.

Memorials in Jay's name are suggested to the charity of the donor's choice.

Please visit www.stevensonwilke.com to offer the family a condolence or to share a memory of Jay.