



Leslie Larry Thornton

June 27, 1937 - May 16, 2021

Loving husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather, passed away May 16, 2021, at the age of 83. Larry was born in June, 1937, and was raised in East Nicolaus, CA.

In 1956, he married the love of his life, Evelyn, and spent 61 years sharing their lives together until her passing in 2018.

Larry grew a love for baseball as he was a pitcher and a catcher in high school. He was a die hard San Francisco Giants fan and a SF 49's football fan. One of his greatest joys in life was watching his grandchildren and his great grandchildren play baseball, basketball and football.

After graduating high school Larry drove bus for Yuba College for a year before being hired on at Pacific Bell, which came to be AT&T. He retired from AT&T after 28 years. After being retired for 6 months he was asked to go to work for Dudley's which was a sub-contractor for AT&T. He officially retired after putting in 10 years with the company. Larry had belonged to the Telephone Pioneers and the Sons of Retirement. In the early years of working for Pacific Bell he was on the company bowling team.

He enjoyed water skiing, fishing, golfing, but most of all, he enjoyed being called grandpa and when the great-grandchildren came along being called

"gramps".

He is survived by his daughter Leslie Hill (Ron); son, Michael Thornton; grandchildren, Erica Mills (Branson), Amy Taylor (Eric), and Travis Hill (Melissa); great-grandchildren, Tyler, Kaylee, Bode, Cole and Blake; sister, Marie Earhart; his niece and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Evelyn; parents, Lawrence and Florence Thornton; and brother, Jack Thornton.

Visitation will be Tuesday, June 8, 2021, from 5pm -7pm at Holycross Funeral Home. Graveside service will be Wednesday, June 9, 2021, at 11am at Sutter Cemetery.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 8. 5:00 PM (PT)

Holycross Funeral Home and Crematory
486 Bridge Street
P.O. Box 1348
Yuba City, CA 95991
(530) 751-7000
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Graveside Service

JUN 9. 11:00 AM (PT)

Sutter Cemetery District
7200 Butte Ave
Sutter, CA 95982
(530) 755-0346