



Carroll Walter Robison

October 1, 1917 - April 7, 2011

Carroll Walter Robison, longtime Butte Valley resident and patron, passed away at his home in Macdoel on April 7, 2011. Carroll was born on October 1, 1917 to Walter and Hazel Robison on their ranch in Merrill, Oregon. He was raised attending the local schools there and helping his parents and sisters farm the ranch.

In 1940, Carroll married Wanda Kerns Shaw from Klamath Falls. Carroll and his father purchased the Robison Ranch in the Red Rock Valley in 1942. Shortly after the purchase of the ranch, the road was named Robison Rd. and still is today. That ranch was the former location of the Technor Stage Stop and the location of the post office. In 1945, they also combined to purchase the Prather Ranch in Butte Valley and farmed that together as Walter Robison & Son. Carroll and Wanda lived in Red Rock and raised their 3 children, Monte, Diana and Cinda.

Carroll devoted much of his life being involved in different activities that his kids were involved in and in serving his community. He served on the Tulelake-Butte Valley Fair Board as a director for 10 years; was a Butte Valley 4-H leader for 12 years; served on the Siskiyou County ASC Committee for 25 years; was a committee member on the Butte Valley RCD Board (Soil Conservation) for 15 years; and was a longstanding member on the Red Rock Valley School Board. In 1982, Carroll was honored as the Grand Marshall of the Tulelake-Butte Valley Fair. Most recently, he served for several years on the Butte Valley Ambulance Board, retiring in 2003.

Carroll and his son, Monte, farmed together in Red Rock and after 32 years of being in Red Rock, he and Wanda sold that ranch in 1974 and moved on to their property in Mt. Hebron where they lived between their son, Monte and their daughter, Cinda who lived on either side of their property. Carroll continued to be very active in his community and was a member of the Butte Valley Chamber of Commerce and was a 40+ year member of the Doris Lions Club. After his retirement in 1975, Carroll was very busy being a spectator at the local grade schools and high school as he was an avid attendee to his seven grandchildren's school and sporting events. He and Wanda also enjoyed traveling and deep sea fishing off the California coast out of Crescent City and took many trips together, including 2 memorable trips to Alaska. They were devout baseball fans and enjoyed going to the Giants spring training in Arizona, and attending games at Candlestick Park. Carroll was also known to rub elbows with the "boys" and play a little golf. One of the great accomplishments of his life was being a part of the fund raising and bringing to Dorris "America's Tallest Flagpole".

He and Wanda lived out their days on their little ranch in Mt. Hebron and worked in their yard and garden, and watched their families grow and change. In March of last year, Wanda passed away and is now joined by Carroll. Carroll is survived by his son and daughter-in-law, Monte and Beverly Robison of Weed; daughter and son-in-law, Cinda and Rusty Hands of Mt. Hebron; grandchildren, Todd Robison of Atascadero, Jackie and Chris Girdner of Yreka, Tad and Stacey Krouse of Silverdale, WA, Dena and Brad Hadwick of Klamath Falls, OR and Bo and Lisa Hands of Grenada; great-grandchildren, Trey and Terah Girdner, Travis Robison, Taylor and Dyllan Krouse, Maranda and Kyle Hadwick, Breanne and Wayd Hands and many friends and family. In addition to his wife, Wanda, of 69 years, Carroll was preceded in death by his parents, his sisters and tragically, his precious daughter, Diana Krouse along with her two children, Greg and Cynthia Krouse, in 1980.

A Celebration of Carroll's life will be held Sunday April 17th at 1:00 p.m. at the Dorris City Hall in Dorris. A time of sharing stories and a potluck will be open

to all who would like to share in this memorial celebration. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Butte Valley Ambulance Fund, P.O. Box 9, Dorris, CA 96023. Girdner Funeral Chapel is in charge of arrangements.