



Curtis Dean Peters

May 24, 1924 - January 7, 2017

Curtis D. Peters, 92, passed away Saturday, January 7th 2017, surrounded by family at the Hospice House in Yreka. Curtis was born May 24, 1924 in Eyese Bar, 30 miles below Happy Camp to Swaney and Theresa Peters, of the Karuk tribe. He was raised on the Klamath River.

Curtis served in the U. S. Navy during WWII as a coxswain, piloting a landing craft that delivered troops during the war. He spent two years in the South Pacific. In 1945, at a dance hall in Hilt, Curtis met his little Hawaiian girl, the love of his life, Lillian Ladd. They were married in Yreka and lived happily in Siskiyou County until Lillian's death in 1993.

Over the years, Curtis worked falling timber, construction, ranching, and later, becoming fidgety in retirement, was a working fixture at the Lake Shastina golf course for 18 years. He always had his own horse and was ready to help at a branding wherever help was needed. For many years his greatest joy was riding saddle bronc and competing in local rodeos. He then met Lillian and discovered his greatest love, his family.

Curtis is survived by his son Gary Callahan, daughter Susan Hammond (Carl), nine grandchildren, and nine great grandchildren. He leaves his sister Nola Farnsworth of Yreka, and a brother Raymond Peters of Happy Camp. He also leaves many nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends that will miss him dearly.

Curtis was preceded in death by his wife Lillian, his daughter Linda, his son Aaron, his brother Andrew Peters, his sisters Thelma Hastings, Mary Nagle, and Marcella Straub.

Many thanks to his caregivers, Marsha Farley, Debbie Rose, Karen Wilson, and Mary Stringari who provided comfort and companionship during his later years.

Services for Curtis will be held Friday, January 13, 2017 at Girdner Funeral Chapel in Yreka at 11:00 am. A celebration of life with a cowboy lunch will follow at the Miners Inn Convention Center in Yreka.

Donations may be sent to Madrone Hospice, 255 Collier Circle, Yreka, CA 96097 or a charity of ones choice.

Cemetery Details

Henley-Hornbrook Cemetery

15123 Oregon Road
Hornbrook, CA 96044

Previous Events

Funeral Service

JAN 13. 11:00 AM (PT)

Girdner Funeral Chapel
202 S. Oregon St.
Yreka, CA 96097
(530) 842-3434
<https://www.girdnerfuneralchapel.com>

Tribute Wall

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“ *Dear Sue*

So sorry. I so remember, in our now years ago talks, your love for your family, and know how you miss your dad. I will be praying for you and family that God will comfort and help you at this time. Pray that the pain of loss will be softened by wonderful memories.

*Love,
Beth Root*

Beth Root - January 13, 2017 at 04:04 PM

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“ *John & Jamie Suetta purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Curtis Dean Peters.*



John & Jamie Suetta - January 11, 2017 at 03:41 PM