



## Don Leo Klinefelter

March 25, 1936 - June 19, 2022

Don Leo Klinefelter, 86 year old Montague resident, passed away on June 19, 2022 at Madrone Hospice in Yreka. Don was born on March 25, 1936 in Brookings, South Dakota to Sarah (Opdahl) and Vaughn Klinefelter. He served in the U.S. Airforce as an Air Policeman, and spent time in Okinawa. He was a heavy equipment operator in the San Diego area, and was instrumental in the construction of the Coronado Bridge, the San Diego Zoo and Highway 15, among many other projects. He had a love for music and flying his private airplane. Don was a master woodworker and model airplane enthusiast who never did anything halfway. Most of all, he loved Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior.

Don is survived by his childhood sweetheart and wife of 65 years, Sylvia (Quammen); his three children: Janette Harris, Ron Klinefelter and Julie Bachman; two sisters, LaVonne Miller and Joan Jarka; four grandchildren, six great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

A graveside service with military honors will be held on Tuesday, June 28, 2022 at 11:00 AM at the Veterans section of Evergreen Cemetery in Yreka. The family would like to send special thanks to the staff at the Madrone Hospice House for their loving care for Don during his final days.

# Tribute Wall



“ 10 files added to the album *Obituary Wall*



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**Girdner Funeral Chapel** - April 27 at 03:56 PM

JH

“ Thank you so much for sharing these pictures of my Dad and your condolences.

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**Jan Harris** - July 01, 2022 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Thank you Sylvia. ❤️

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**Jan Harris** - July 01, 2022 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Don Leo Klinefelter*

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**Marl Bell** - June 28, 2022 at 12:00 AM

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“ On behalf of myself and all members of Siskiyou County R/C'ers, we want to express our heartfelt condolences to Don's family and friends. Don had a wonderful sense of humor, and it was always such a pleasure to trade stories with him and to just be in his company. He will be sorely missed.

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**Marl Bell** - June 28, 2022 at 12:00 AM

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“ Our condolences to the whole family. What an honor to have known such a wonderful man. Our prayers are with you as you grieve the loss of him. I wish I could be at the service. I am with you in Spirit. Love, prayers and blessings to all the Klinefelter family.

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**Sylvia McMillan (Larson)** - June 28, 2022 at 12:00 AM

JO

“ Sure will miss you big brother. It's comforting to know the God of all grace will himself perfect you and make you strong, and make everything right, a glory in Christ that will last forever (1 Peter 5:10). Enjoy being able to hear the birds singing again and the still small voice of Jesus with a host of singing angels welcoming you home. So blessed you are my brother. Until we meet again-----Joan

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**Joan** - June 28, 2022 at 12:00 AM

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“ We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ Girdner Funeral Chapel

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**A Memorial Tree was planted for Donald Leo Klinefelter** - June 24, 2022 at 12:00 AM

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**Julie** - June 24, 2022 at 12:00 AM