



## Frank "Bunny" & Sandra Aquila

July 13, 1939 - April 28, 2023

Bunny and Sandy were high school sweethearts and married in 1958. May 9, 2023 was to be their 65th wedding anniversary. Sandy passed away on November 4, 2022 at The Madrone Hospice House in Yreka, California. Almost six months later, Bunny followed and passed away on April 28, 2023 at his home in Big Springs. Sandy was born in Butte, Montana in 1939. Bunny was born in Weed, California in 1939. Both were 83 at the time of their passing.

Sandy's parents were Arthur Ray (Sloky) Austin, born in Detroit Lakes, Minnesota and Florence Kempsey Austin of Weed. Florence was born in Spokane, Washington. Florence's family were original Washington State pioneers. Sandy was preceded in death by her parents, her brother Neil Austin (Betty) of Hawaii and her brother Terry Austin (Donna) of Yuba City, CA.

Bunny was preceded in death by his parents Frank and Luisa Aquila of Weed. His parents immigrated to Weed in 1921 from Italy. His siblings also preceded him in death; brothers John "Hotch" Aquila (Dodie) of Mt. Shasta, Jim "Chuts" Aquila (Rita) of Weed, Joe Aquila (Esther) of Weed, sisters Flora Spinella (Al), and Rena Stemac (Steve) both of Sacramento. Bunny was the youngest of the siblings, his middle name was Benito so his siblings gave him the nickname of "Bunny". The couple had three children, Margie Michelin (Mike) of Lake Shastina and twins, Rick Aquila of Redding, and Randy Aquila of Big Springs. They had 2 grandchildren, Mark Michelin of San Diego, CA and

Marlena Shaffer (Kevin) of Lake Shastina, and 2 great-granddaughters, Kiley and Katie Shaffer of Lake Shastina.

Sandy grew up in Weed and Happy Camp and attended both high schools but graduated from Weed High School along with Bunny in 1957. Sandy worked at First Interstate Bank in Weed and later became a housewife. She was very active in the Cedar Lanes Bowling Teams and won many trophies. She was also an avid Bingo player in all the surrounding towns. Bunny worked at International Paper Co. and Morgan Door in Weed,. He also worked at P & M Lumber in McCloud.

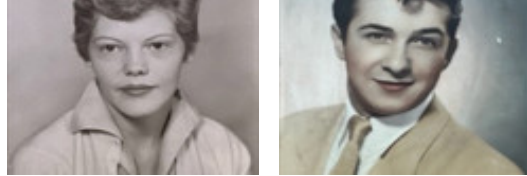
A small Graveside Service for Sandy was held at Winema Cemetary in Weed on November 14, 2022. A Memorial Mass for Bunny will be held at Holy Family Church in Weed at 2pm on Friday, July 7, 2023.

The family requests any gifts to honor Bunny and Sandy's lives be made to Madrone Hospice, 255 Collier Circle, Yreka, CA. 96097 or Weed Health Center c/o Wound Care Department, 50 Alamo Ave., Weed, CA 96094. Online condolences may be made at [www. girdnerfuneralchapel.com](http://www.girdnerfuneralchapel.com).

# Tribute Wall



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**Girdner Funeral Chapel** - April 27 at 03:49 PM

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**Girdner Funeral Chapel** - May 18, 2023 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 Frank "Bunny" & Sandra Aquila** - May 18, 2023 at 12:00 AM