



## Fred Ascher

December 8, 1923 - September 2, 2013

Fred Ascher, 89, of Yreka, passed away peacefully on September 2, 2013, at Meadowlark Assisted Living in Yreka.

Fred was born in Boston, Massachusetts on December 8, 1923. Fred joined the United States Army in 1942. After leaving the Army, Fred completed his Bachelor's degree in Business, and he joined the Department of Defense, working as a civilian for the US Army in Germany. He retired in 1993, at the age of seventy. He truly loved his work, and despite his numerous awards, he was a humble man.

In 1955, Fred married the love of his life, Marianne. The two were married for 52 years, before her death in 2007. Fred and Marianne were walkers. They loved to walk; whether in the city, through town, in the woods, by the river, or through the German countryside. Vacations were geared towards walking and beauty; his favorite destinations included the Alps and the Black Forest.

Despite his energetic hobby, Fred had a terrible sense of direction. That's why, throughout their lives together, Marianne was always the navigator. Besides walking, Fred loved going to cafes for cake, cappuccino, and people watching. Fred made his home in Zweibrücken, Germany until 2007, when he moved to Yreka.

Fred will be missed by his friends and family, not only for his love and kindness, but for his sense of humor. All who interacted with him were sure to laugh. Fred leaves behind one daughter, Gloria Ascher Olson and her husband, Eric, of Greenview.

The family would like to extend their most profound thanks and gratitude to the employees and residents of Meadowlark Assisted Living. Everyone was so kind and courteous during Fred's stay, and the family is very grateful for their presence. There will be a Celebration of Life for Fred at Meadowlark later in the month. Girdner Funeral Chapel is assisting the family. Online condolences may be made at [www.girdnerfuneralchapel.com](http://www.girdnerfuneralchapel.com).