



Fred Wagner Miles

October 25, 1946 - April 20, 2018

Scott Valley native, Fred Miles, born October 25, 1946 in Yreka to Albert and Helen Miles, passed away suddenly and peacefully from a heart attack on April 20, 2018.

Fred's ancestors arrived in Scott Valley in the early 1850's, his was the sixth generation, and it was the only place he ever wanted to live. He attended Etna High School, College of the Siskiyou's in Weed, and graduated from Sacramento State College with a B.A. degree in Recreation Management. Fred put himself through college by driving a dump truck for his uncle, Jack Hottendorf, and he worked as a U.S. Forest Service fire fighter during the summers.

As a child, Fred was a Boy Scout, a member of 4H, and most importantly, a member of the Pleasure Park Drill Team. Sports were always very important to Fred. He played four years of college baseball, pitching two years at COS and two years at Sac State. Fred met his wife, Linda Young, in June of 1969. They were married in San Francisco in May 1970 and returned to Scott Valley where they have lived for the past 48 years. Fred worked for Siskiyou Telephone Company from 1971 until his retirement. He was a Little League, Babe Ruth, and women's softball coach for many years. In 1975, he worked 40 hours per week, coached Linda's softball team, and spent every free moment building the family home.

Fred's greatest joy in life has always been fishing, hunting, and spending time in the mountains with his horses. He enjoyed many back country trips with friends, his two children and his grandson. He was always very pleased and grateful that both his children and his grandson love the mountains as much as he did. Fred donated countless hours working on trail rehabilitation with the Backcountry Horsemen.

Survivors include his wife, his daughter and son-in-law, Anna and Anthony Smith, his son, Kevin Miles, and his beloved grandson, Emerson Miles Smith. He was preceded in death by his grandfather, Elmer Jordan, his parents, his uncle Bill Miles, his aunt, Delores Hottendorf, and his close friends Rusty Coleman and Doug Andrews. He had many aunts, uncles and cousins.

Graveside services for Fred will be held on Thursday, April 26th, at 11:00 am at the Catholic Cemetery in Fort Jones. A pot luck reception will follow in the Sacred Heart Parish Hall in Fort Jones. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to the American Heart Association, the Lupus Foundation, or the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital

Cemetery Details

Fort Jones Catholic Cemetery

Eastside Road
Fort Jones, CA 96032

Previous Events

Graveside Service

APR 26. 11:00 AM (PT)

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Tribute Wall



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Fred Wagner Miles.



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“ My mother, Alice Thompson, was great friends with Fred's aunt Delores. We made several trips from our home in Novato, CA to Etna to visit the Hottendorf and Miles families. Fred and I were about the same age and had great fun exploring the area around Etna on horseback. Fred taught me the finer points of riding, fishing the local streams and shooting his .22 rifle. It was a real adventure to spend time with Fred and his family, whether it was learning how to kill and defeather the chickens for the evening meal or helping to prepare the fish we caught.

I have fond memories of Fred, his Dad and Mom, the Hottendorf family and the times we spent together. They all were genuine, down to earth folks. I'm very sorry that I didn't do more to reach out to Fred many years ago.

I am truly sorry for his family's loss.

David Thompson

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“ *I am deeply saddened by the loss that you and your family have encountered. My condolences. Mick Cross*



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“ *Nati Quinn Wenderoth lit a candle in memory of Fred Wagner Miles*



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