



Gino Gerimia Michelon

November 28, 1925 - June 15, 2022

Gino Gerimia Michelon was born on November 28, 1925 in Griffith, Australia. His parents Giovanni and Olympia Michelon were immigrating from Italy to Hilt, California at the time. Gino arrived in the United States when he was 8 months old. He was the oldest of six children, three boys (Gino, Atilio, and Mario) and three girls (Eva, Ines, and Diana). Gino spent his childhood in Hilt, attending Hilt Elementary School. He learned to speak English in the first grade and taught his siblings how to speak English, so he was very important to his family's integration into American life.

Gino attended Yreka High School where he played on the basketball and baseball teams. His senior year was interrupted when he was drafted into the Army when he turned 18 in November during World War II. After basic training his unit - the 99th Infantry - was sent to Germany where he served as a Browning Automatic Rifle (BAR) infantryman. He fought on the front lines, was in the first assault across the Rhine River, and in the Battle of the Bulge amid brutal winter conditions. He was awarded a Purple Heart.

Upon his discharge from the Army Gino married the love of his life, Clara Marie Phelps and attended College of Marin and Chico State University where he majored in Industrial Arts with a minor in Math. He also earned his Life Teaching Credential at CSU. Upon graduation he was hired to teach math at Weed High School. He spent 33 years teaching upper division math and also

served as the Vice Principal for many years. He was beloved by his students who continued to stop by his house to visit many years after they graduated from WHS, and the kids from the neighborhoods visited his whole life long. The community was enriched by the loving, giving, caring, compassionate man that he was.

Gino and Marie had five children: Bill (Karen), Robert (Kathy), Mike (Margie), Sue Stone (Ron) and Jim (Janie). They were blessed with 28 grandchildren, 33 great grandchildren and 6 great-great grandchildren.

Gino is survived by his 5 children and his sisters Eva and Ines. He is preceded in death by his lovely bride, his parents, brothers Atilio and Mario and his sister Diana.

Gino was a devout Catholic and was a well-known figure at Holy Family Catholic Church in Weed. He could be seen at mass every Sunday. The most important things to him were his faith, his family and his friends.

There will be a Rosary and Funeral Mass at the Holy Family Catholic Church on July 16th beginning at 10:30 AM with the Rosary followed by the Mass of Christian Burial at 11:00 and a luncheon reception to celebrate Gino's life immediately after Mass (at noon) in the attached St. Michael's hall. He will be greatly missed by everyone he ever encountered - especially his kids!

Several Michelin family members were served with great love and compassion by Mercy Hospice Mt. Shasta staff and the family is very grateful for that care. The family requests any gifts to honor Gino's life be made to Mercy Hospice Mt Shasta, 914 Pine Street, Mt. Shasta, CA 96067.

Tribute Wall

HS

“ Rest Gino, until you hear at dawn, the low, clear reveille of God. Thank you for your service to this nation. U.S. Army, WWII. Purple Heart recipient.



Harry Simpson - July 17, 2022 at 12:00 AM

BO

“ Gino was always smiling and happy. I always felt that he cared about you and stopped to say "hi & how are you? It was always a pleasure to stop and respond to his friendly smile! We will miss Mr. Michelin! May God bless the Michelin family!



Beverly OBERmiller - July 03, 2022 at 12:00 AM

TP

“ Yes Mic was great.

Tom Porter - June 27, 2022 at 12:00 AM

RJ

“ thank you MR Mic

Ralph Jackson - June 27, 2022 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ One of our favorite all-time teachers! Thank you for always making us feel special, and for teaching us our first Italian words: testa quadra and testa dura!

Debbie DeRoss - June 27, 2022 at 12:00 AM

RG

“ *One of my All Time Favorites!*

Rod Gilliam - June 27, 2022 at 12:00 AM

SZ

“ *Mr. Michelin, thank you for being a fun and great math teacher and full of caring for all your students. We were blessed to have you as a teacher at WHS. My mom, Charlotte Olson, and I send our love during this time.*

Shana Dawn Zent - June 27, 2022 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ *Teachers like Mic' do not come along that often, Weed High was really blessing.*

Roger Blankenship - June 27, 2022 at 12:00 AM

KL

“ *Such a kind, gentle man and a wonderful teacher! One of my absolute favs. ❤️*

Kori Landon - June 27, 2022 at 12:00 AM

EB

“ *Great Teacher, was good man!*

Elie Brown - June 27, 2022 at 12:00 AM

BK

“ *A wonderful teacher with a constant smile and a twinkle in his eye. Thank you Mr. Michelin for being such an important part in so many lives. You will be missed ❤️*

Bonnie Koons - June 27, 2022 at 12:00 AM

PT

“ Great man , a great teacher and mentor. ❤️

Patrisha Solus Toney - June 26, 2022 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ Gino was such a nice man, hearts go out to the family 🙏🙏🙏

Lisa Whitmer - June 26, 2022 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ One of the best ever! ❤️

Jill Scalise Poloni - June 26, 2022 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ He was my teacher at Weed High School - 1954-1958. We girls loved how he could arch that one eyebrow!! He was a wonderful person. I feel fortunate to have known him.....Mary Reynolds Taylor

Mary F Taylor - June 26, 2022 at 12:00 AM

BZ

“ Mr. Michelin. Last of the Dinosaurs
Great Educator. Great Caring Person.
Thank You for being My Friend. 🙏

Bob Zalunardo - June 26, 2022 at 12:00 AM

TT

“ Thank you for your service and for teaching and caring for us Mr. Michelin💚. We are grateful, Tony and Janet (Topete) Tallerico

TonyJanet Tallerico - June 26, 2022 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ Thank you Mr. Michelin. You made a difference in so many lives.
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Christina Fernandez Britton - June 26, 2022 at 12:00 AM

CW

“ I am so sorry for your loss - Mr. Michelin was an amazing person. He was such a calm, steadfast presence during the tumultuous years of so many teens, including my own. Many blessings to the family who are his legacy.

Cary Wasem-Varela - June 24, 2022 at 12:00 AM

KN

“ RIP. So sorry for your loss. 🙏🙏

Kristen Naylor - June 23, 2022 at 12:00 AM

AM

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

A Memorial Tree was planted for Gino Gerimia Michelin - June 22, 2022 at 12:00 AM