



Irvin "Jack" Cowley

November 13, 1931 - October 8, 2023

Irvin Jack Cowley, born on November 13, 1931, departed this world on October 8, 2023. He is survived by his 7 children: Kathryn, Cindy, David (Colleen), Steven (Valeen), Brian (Diane), Gordon, and Brent, as well as 15 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren. Jack Cowley's journey on this earth came to a peaceful end on Sunday, October 8th, as he was reunited with his beloved wife of 60 years, Barbara Cowley.

Jack and Barbara's love story began in their first-grade classroom, and after his service in the Air Force, they were married on November 21, 1955. Jack's career in the medical field took off with his admission to George Washington Medical School in 1957. In 1960, he embarked on an ophthalmology residency at UCLA. During this time, Jack and Barbara relocated to Sacramento.

While Jack dedicated himself to raising his growing family and establishing his medical practice, he and Barbara also became the proud owners of a ranch in Siskiyou County. In 1995, they made their home in the cherished Little Shasta Valley. Jack's passion for ophthalmology remained steadfast, and he played a pivotal role in the establishment of the Siskiyou Eye Center in Yreka. It wasn't until 2018 that he retired from his work at the eye center to focus his full attention on his beloved cattle ranch.

Throughout his lifetime, Jack made significant contributions to various organizations and communities. He served as an associate professor at UC Davis, held the position of president in the International Brangus Breeder

Association, was a member of the Advisory Committee for the National Beef Cattle Evaluation Consortium, and served as President of the California Cattlemen's Association, among other roles in cattle associations. He could often be spotted tootling behind the wheel of his truck, diligently overseeing his cherished cattle ranch.

Jack was not only a dedicated professional but also a loving husband and a caring father. His absence will be deeply felt by all who knew and loved him. Memorial services in his honor will be held on Friday, November 3 at 11:00 a.m. at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints on Miner Street in Yreka.

Tribute Wall

TP

“ *Sorry for your loss I will always remember his kind spirit*

Tina Parrino - October 29, 2023 at 12:00 AM

ML

“ *Always remember his smile, and his talking of loving his family n community. Condolences to family n friends...*

MaryLou LaCom - October 18, 2023 at 12:00 AM

AN

“ *To Cowley families for Jack and Barbara gloriously reunited for eternity & missed by us on earth. Rest together in peace. From Pimentel Family Ranch*



Anonymous - October 16, 2023 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ *Barbara and Jack were two of my favorite clients ...always had a smiles and positive thoughts.
(Dental Hygienist working with Dr. Langford)*

Diana Simmons Blankenship - October 14, 2023 at 12:00 AM

AC

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

A Memorial Tree was planted for Irvin "Jack" Cowley - October 13, 2023 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ *What a great man. Happy we got to enjoy him in our lives.*

Carol Hockaday Forneris - October 13, 2023 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ *Such a sweet man. My thoughts are with the families.*

Kathy Hagedorn - October 13, 2023 at 12:00 AM

GM

“ *Sorry to hear this- but what a great life*

Ginger Moyles - October 13, 2023 at 12:00 AM

KN

“ *So very sorry for your loss.* 🙏🙏

Kristen Naylor - October 13, 2023 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ *RIP Jack, you were always so kind and had the best smile.*

AngiandRob Mck - October 13, 2023 at 12:00 AM

PG

“ *He was such a kind man. I enjoyed helping him when he came in for tractor parts.*

My daughter was his nurse until she took maternity leave. She loved Jack .

Amazing man.

Rest in peace Jack

Patricia Schott Goss - October 13, 2023 at 12:00 AM