



## James W. Stevens

February 8, 1924 - January 13, 2017

James W. Stevens passed away on January 13, 2017 after a short illness. He was 92 years old, and was a longtime resident of Fort Jones prior to moving to Yreka.

Jim was born on February 8, 1924 to Clara and Jim Stevens. He moved to Fort Jones in the second grade and graduated from Fort Jones High School. He enlisted in the U.S. Army Air Corp during World War II with two friends from Fort Jones, Fred and Don Pinkerton. He served in Europe until the war ended.

He met his future wife, Yolanda Cresci, at a dance in Oakland, and they were married on July 12, 1947 in San Francisco. It was a shock to her when he moved her from San Francisco to Fort Jones! They had two daughters, Diane and Jan.

Jim held various jobs in Fort Jones, but his main jobs were working for his dad's logging outfit in the 1950's and for the Scott Valley Bank as a bank officer. He retired from the bank in 1988. He was an avid San Francisco Giants fan, even during their lean years! He was one of the original bowlers at Siskiyou Lanes in Yreka, bowling until he was around 90 years old. Jim was named Fort Jones Citizen of the Year in 2014. Many have mentioned that he was a kind and thoughtful person. He loved Fort Jones, and would drive over

from Yreka every week to visit friends.

Jim is survived by his two daughters, Diane Crites and Jan Jackson (Kenny), both of Yreka; four grandchildren, John and Allen Crites, Brian Johnson and Renee McKay; eight great grandchildren, Kristen Cotton, Ryan and Jared Crites, Easton Crites, Tyler and Nolan Johnson, and Brianna and Gage McKay; two great great granddaughters, Kaelyn and Kamela Cotton; two nieces and a nephew in the San Francisco bay area. Jim was preceded in death by his wife, Yolanda, and his parents, Jim and Clara.

A private graveside will be held at a later date. Memorial contributions may be made to a charity of one's choice. The family would like to thank Brookdale of Yreka for their kindness.

# Tribute Wall



“ He was a patient ,kind,giving man who loved his family of a wife and four children, Wesley,Loretta,Bryan and Micheal. He was a good person and a very giving one. He and his wife took in a homeless family of four. Housed them free of charge. He is sadly missed by his family.

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**Loretta lynn** - February 21, 2018 at 01:01 AM