



John William Curley

February 16, 1923 - October 10, 2012

John William Curley, 89 year old former Etna resident, passed away October 10, 2012 at the Madrone Hospice House in Yreka. John was born February 16, 1923 to Mary and Michael Gallagher in New York. His parents were immigrants from Ireland.

John was a true cat lover who fed all of the “needy cats” in his Etna neighborhood where he lived for 19 years. Although a solitary person, he always appreciated his Etna Postal and Scott Valley Bank friends. He had a grateful heart for those who helped him with his wheelchair limitations, often times tipping them for their kindness.

John was proud to be a veteran of the U.S. Navy for nearly 20 years and a Merchant Marine for many years as well. He also worked as a bartender in San Francisco and on the Matson cruise ships.

In honor of his service to our country, John was buried at the Northern California Veteran’s Cemetery in IGO. He will be missed by his friends and caregivers.

Donations to PURR Angels, 100 Payne Ln., Yreka 96097 would be welcome in his memory.