



John Willis Spencer

March 16, 1943 - November 21, 2015

A Celebration of Life will take place at the Yreka Elks Lodge on Saturday, December 5, 2015 at 12:00 Noon for John W. Spencer. John passed away on November 21, 2015.

John was born in Elko, Nevada on March 16, 1943 to Jack and June Spencer. He married the love of his life, Joyce Parker, on May 25, 1963 and they moved to the Forks of Salmon where John was mining for gold. In 1965, they moved to Yreka and John began working in construction for the Lorenzini Brothers. He continued in construction, working for Langlo and International Paper through 1971. He then went to work for Huber Logging and Construction in the Salmon Mountains, and then to Lucas Logging until 1983. John worked for Frontier Construction and then worked for Erik Almon, where he worked in National Parks, including Death Valley and Yosemite, doing construction work. While working for Frontier Construction, John met his good friend, Terry Smith, who helped him fulfill his retirement plans. John retired in 2009, but continued to help friends and family in various construction jobs. John loved his family and being outdoors. He loved camping, hunting and fishing. He rode his ATV and enjoyed being with his family and friends. John is survived by his wife, Joyce; his daughters, Tammy Sullivan (Kevin) and Cindy Spencer (Steve); his son, John Spencer (Shannon) and his three beautiful granddaughters, Haelee (Travis), Lexi and Laney. His is also survived by five siblings, Norma (Rick), Roseann, Dallas (Barney), Trudy (Bill) and Steve, along with numerous nieces and nephews. John was preceded in

death by his parents, Jack and June.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations, in John's honor, to Madrone Hospice, 255 Collier Circle, Yreka, CA 96097.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

DEC 5. 12:00 PM (PT)

Yreka Elks Lodge
332 W. Miner Street
Yreka, CA 96097

Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Joyce and family,

I have so many fond memories of your family while living at Forks of Salmon. You were always a delight to be around. I got my very first kitten from you the day we moved to Yreka back in the early 60's.

God bless all of you at this very difficult time. I would love to be at the Celebration of Life, but will be out of town at a family wedding.

Peace and Memories

Barbara Lipke Silvius

Barbara Silvius - December 01, 2015 at 11:08 PM

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“ *Such a wonderful man! A loving, husband, father, and grandfather, I am so lucky to have had him in my life. We will miss you Grandpa John!*

Shannon - December 01, 2015 at 09:43 PM

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“ *Dear Joyce and family,
John was a great employee and a great friend. I will miss seeing him around here in town. Please let me know if there is anything I can do to help at any time. He had such a lifting laugh!*

Sharon Graves - November 27, 2015 at 05:12 PM