



Joseph "Dave" David Kistler

June 1, 1951 - March 6, 2019

Joseph David Kistler, 67, passed away March 6, 2019, at his home in Fort Jones, Ca. Dave was born in Sacramento on June 1, 1951 to Jack and Faye Kistler. In 1958 the family moved to Los Banos Ca. where his father Jack started his career with the California Highway Patrol. Dave attended Volta Elementary and Los Banos High School, graduating in 1969. Soon after high school, Dave joined the United States Air Force. His favorite post was at the rural, Indian Mountain Station near Hughes, AK because he was able to hunt ptarmigan and moose to his hearts content. After his four years of service, he was Honorably Discharged with rank of Sargent. Dave returned to Los Banos and was hired by the state police. In 1977, following in his dad's and older brother Dan's footsteps, he joined the California Highway Patrol. With assignments in East LA, Newhall, San Jose, Los Banos, Sacramento, Susanville, and Eureka, Dave finally ended his 30 year career in Yreka. He had a fulfilling career as a patrolmen, receiving several awards. In 1971 he received a commendation after he saved two people from a burning car. Dave enjoyed spending time with his daughters by taking them outdoors; teaching them gun safety and the valuable tradition of being a hunter. His favorite pastime was driving along a long, rural, dirt road, shooting squirrels.

Dave is survived by his two daughters, Alexandria (Bob) Hall, Brittany (Steve) Leohrke, and five grandchildren; Wicks, Braylon, Danika, Hans, and Leisiel; His parents, Jack and Faye Kistler of Eureka, brothers Dan Kistler(Bernice) of

Eureka, CA, Donald Kistler (Beverley) of Orlando ,Florida, Mark Kistler (Holly) of Squaw Valley, CA, and Tim Kistler (Susan) of Colorado Springs, CO.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, March 23, 2019 at 2 p.m. at the Sacred Heart Parish Hall, 101 Carlock Street, Fort Jones Ca. 96032.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

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Sacred Heart Catholic Church Parish Hall

101 Carlock Street

None

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