



Robert Verne Bontrager

September 7, 1943 - January 31, 2017

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Robert Bontrager. He passed away suddenly and unexpectedly on January 31, 2017 at his home in Montague at the age of 73.

Robert was born on September 7, 1943 in Weed to Katie and Carl Bontrager. He leaves behind his loving wife of 44 years, LaVonne Bontrager, his sons Robert and his wife Dawn Bontrager of Chico, and Scott Garrett of Yreka. He loved and adored his grandchildren Bella, Benny, Jaxson, Aiden, and Vincent. He also leaves behind loving nieces Emily Bontrager Hendry of Anders and Dr. Sarah Sly of Dongora, Australia, who both loved him like a father. His entire family knew that Robert always “had their back” and will be forever loved for being the protector that he was.

Robert loved his garden, as was evidenced by all those who drove by and saw his masterful skills at growing produce. He loved spending time watering, weeding, and just sitting in the garden with LaVonne, drinking coffee, watching his garden grow and waving to everyone who drove by.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Katie and Carl Bontrager, and his brothers, Ben and Carl.

No services are to be held. Robert will be laid to rest in Mt. Shasta Memorial

Park

Cemetery Details

Mount Shasta Memorial Park

830 Lassen Lane
Mount Shasta, CA 96067

Tribute Wall

DB

“ I was very sad to learn from my sister Renee that our cousin Robert Bontrager had passed away at the end of January! Due to living out of the area I didn't get to shop at the store where he worked but when I did and he was there I was always surprised that he would notice me and make a point of coming over to speak to me and ask by name how my siblings and our mom Jennie were doing.

My families deepest sympathies go out to his family.

Dr. Karen L. Baker-Maloney

Dr. Karen L. Baker-Maloney - March 03, 2017 at 12:50 AM

DR

“ LaVonne, I am so sorry to hear about Bob. I knew you both thru your dog as I was her groomer. I was always delighted to see him and his little dog. I liked them both so much. We always visited for quite a while when he came in the shop and one year, I received two handmade wooden goblets for Christmas from him. They sit on my mantle to this day and I always have fond memories of just talking with him. He will be missed very much and I am grateful that I came to know him.

Denyse Reed - February 25, 2017 at 11:58 AM

JB

“ LaVonne,

Our thoughts & prayers go out to You & Your Family.

My memories of You & Bob are as a child, I am the son of Bob & Betty Briggs. I remember you both being one heck of a lot of fun. Dinners at the house, as well as camping trips to Juanita Lake with the Martinez Family.

In my mind Bob will always be Mr. Safeway, what a guy!

All our love,

Joe Briggs & Family

joe briggs - February 23, 2017 at 10:35 PM

DF

“ LaVonne: *Larry and I are very sad that Bob has left his cherished garden for the garden that has received him above. He was a special, kind and gentle man. He never forgot to ask how our family was doing. May all the memories you have of the 44 years together get you through this difficult time. God bless you and your family.*



Deana Farrington - February 23, 2017 at 09:47 AM