



Roderic David Barba

July 13, 1932 - May 5, 2016

Roderic David Barba passed away peacefully at his home in Montague on May 5, 2016. He was 83 years old.

Rod was born on July 13, 1932 to Jesse and Alverit Barba in Medford, Oregon. He lived his entire life in Montague. He spent his childhood and adult years doing what he loved - working on the farm and fixing cars and equipment. He was very good at what he did and was able to enjoy life and live life with no regrets. He loved racing and became quite the icon at Siskiyou Motor Speedway. He spent much of his time there, whether it be pit crewing or just helping anyone that needed it. He was the “go to” guy. He was also the one that maintained the track. He spent many of his days and nights there. He loved being there, the track was home to him. In 2014, Siskiyou Motor Speedway presented him with the “Dirt Track Guru” award. If you knew him, you would know that fit him perfect. Rod Barba was a simple man that had a huge heart, funny personality and would give you the shirt off his back, literally. He was loved by many and will be missed by everyone who had the honor in knowing him.

Rod is survived by Evelyn; two sisters, Eunice and Phyllis; his children, Elizabeth, Ronna, Kevin, Brad, Jon and Stacy, along with many grandchildren and great grandchildren.

A Celebration of Life will be held at the Montague Hall in Montague on Saturday, June 4, 2016 at 12:00 Noon.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JUN 4. 12:00 PM (PT)

Montague Community Hall
200 S 11th Street
Montague, CA 96064

Tribute Wall

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“ To Rod's family, Praying for comfort and peace in the loss of your loved one. We know you have wonderful memories. Sincerely,
Delbert and Phillis Franklin

Phillis E. Franklin - June 02, 2016 at 11:49 AM

DF

“ Evelyn and other members of Rod's family.. Larry and I send you our thathoughts and prayers during this difficult time. Rod will be missed as will all his corney jokes. May he rest in peace and may all the memories you have made with him over the years help you through this now and in the future.



Deana Farrington - May 17, 2016 at 09:20 PM

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Amber Duncan - May 16, 2016 at 03:22 PM



“ *Karen Creasap lit a candle in memory of Roderic David Barba*



Karen Creasap - May 14, 2016 at 08:43 PM



“ *Forever in our hearts.....always on our minds..*

Patty Hall - May 14, 2016 at 04:06 PM



“ *Patty Hall lit a candle in memory of Roderic David Barba*



Patty Hall - May 14, 2016 at 04:04 PM



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Brad Barba - May 12, 2016 at 09:11 AM

RK

“ Too all of Rod's Friends and Family: (05/12/2016, Penang Malaysia)

When I received the news of Rods' passing I was very shocked and saddened, and could only imagine the pain felt by Evelyn, and all of you.

There is never enough time in all of our lives and sometimes its too late when we look back, but I always will feel that when things were at their most difficult, either being around Rod, talking with Rod, or just knowing he was somewhere doing something he enjoyed would bring peace of mind to me, and think what would Rod do about this, or just remember how times were and go forward with that knowledge and comfort.

It wasn't often enough, but I enjoyed to call him when had the chance to hear his voice, hopefully to remind someone who was so formative in my life I was still thinking of him. Sounds a bit selfish..but it also brought comfort to me to know that from 11'000 miles or more he was still reachable.

He helped to shape my life in so many ways that he probably never knew, he was like my second dad, I regret not having the chance to say this to him in person.

I will always think that for those of us who had to chance to know him, we were lucky and will always remember him, as I believe we have lost a piece of ourselves with him being gone.

There are very few people I know who make this world better by just being in it, to me Rod was one of those people, with him no longer in it, the world has lost a true brother to all.

I never had the chance to discuss his beliefs what he felt about religion, but no matter what we feel or follow, his spirit will live long within all of us.

Being so far away from all of you makes one feel helpless, Not sure what I could do if I was there, but for now I can only offer my feelings about such a great person and send all of my prayers to each and everyone of you to get through this time, and know is a piece of all of our lives.

There are so many things to say, but I will leave it by saying that Rod was one of a kind, a man who asked "no quarter" but gave all to each of us in his own way.

*Salam to all of you
Your cousin, Rods Nephew
Yasin bin Mohamed, (Richard Kent)*

Richard Kent - May 12, 2016 at 02:33 AM

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Girdner Funeral Chapel - May 11, 2016 at 05:09 PM

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Girdner Funeral Chapel - May 11, 2016 at 05:08 PM