



## Roy Willis Brannon

September 13, 1921 - April 8, 2013

Longtime Happy Camp resident Roy Brannon passed away on April 8, 2013. Roy was born to Rodney Brannon and Nora Elizabeth Mayham Brannon on September 13, 1921 in Fanshaw, Oklahoma. He married Frances “Jo” Whisenhunt on April 9, 1949 in Reno, Nevada.

Roy was a demolition expert or “powder monkey” in the construction business for more than 50 years. His services were in high demand because he was good at what he did.

Roy presented an idea to the U.S. Forest Service for a hiking trail on the south side of Happy Camp. In 1990, The Town Trail was dedicated to Roy Brannon with a ribbon cutting ceremony. His brainstorm is enjoyed by many in a hike to the top with an amazing view of Happy Camp.

Roy enjoyed just driving in the woods and deer hunting with family and friends, and always got his buck at the infamous “Red Rock.” He liked reminiscing about the “good ole days” and had an amazing memory for names and dates. He enjoyed studying maps, watching the Andy Griffith Show, western movies on television and looking at old photos. Visits from his grandchildren, family and friends were especially dear to his heart.

Roy is survived by “Jo,” his wife of 64 years; a brother Herbert Brannon of McAlister, Oklahoma; a sister Sibyl Gibbons of Hamilton, Montana; a son Jim Keno and his wife Linda of Yreka; two daughters, Linda Davis and her husband Skip of Happy Camp and Nancy Wells and her husband Don of Broken Arrow, Oklahoma; nine grandchildren and thirteen great grandchildren.

A Celebration of Life for Roy will be planned for this summer. He will be greatly missed by his family.