



## Stanley Roger Ellison

November 21, 1947 - April 9, 2013

Stanley Roger Ellison, 65, of Yreka, passed away following a long illness on April 9th at his home in Yreka.

Stan was born on November 21, 1947 to Whitey and Lou Ellison in Weed, California. The fifth generation of his family born in Siskiyou County, Stan grew up in Weed, and graduated from Weed High School in 1965. Staying close to home, he attended the College of the Siskiyous, where he raced on the ski team. After transferring to Southern Oregon University, he made the SOU ski team, but decided, "I'm paying my own bills, I better get down to studying." so he never ran a race. He graduated from SOU in 1970. Stan met Linda Wilson, his future bride, during his COS years and they were married in 1971.

Stan had a long career in law enforcement that began at the Weed Police Department in 1970, where he worked for four years. He then served as a narcotics officer for the Siskiyou County Sheriff's Department from 1974-1975. In 1976 he began working as an investigator in the Siskiyou County District Attorney's Office, retiring as the Chief Investigator in 1998. Upon his retirement from law enforcement, Stan began a second career at Timberline/PremierWest Bank, eventually advancing to branch manager at the Mt. Shasta Office.

Retirement gave Stan a chance to catch up on his hunting, fishing, and skiing (even in the Alps), but it didn't slow him down. Stan was a charter member of the Siskiyou Family YMCA and served on the board for five years. He was

also a board member of the Siskiyou Central Credit Union from October of 2006 until their last board meeting in March. He was an avid member of the Back Country Horsemen and the Siskiyou County Search and Rescue, and a volunteer at Stable Hands for the last nine years. Stan even qualified to stop in for the occasional cup of coffee at Don's Sporting Goods.

Stan was also a charter member of the Sis-Q A's. Beginning with the Model A that Linda brought to the marriage, Stan developed a passion for all things "A." Stan loved working on and driving his Model A's, rebuilding Linda's "Ichabod" and his "Ruthie." Even more important to him though were the wonderful friendships he enjoyed with his fellow Sis-Q A and Rogue Valley A enthusiasts—a camaraderie that can only come from slowing down traffic and honing roadside repair skills as far away as Canada, Massachusetts, and all points between.

In addition to all of his dear friends, Stan leaves behind his wife of 43 years, Linda; his son Martin Ellison and his wife Natalie of Scotts Valley, CA; his daughter Jennifer Bray and her husband Cole of Alexandria, VA; and his grandsons, Charlie Ellison, Oliver Bray and Henry Bray. Stan was preceded in death by his parents, Whitey and Lou Ellison, and his uncle, Dave Ellison. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, April 13, 2013 at the Yreka Church of the Nazarene with burial to follow at Evergreen Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Stable Hands, PO Box 1852, Yreka, CA 96097, Siskiyou County Sheriff's Office SAR, 305 Butte Street Yreka, CA 96097 or to Backcountry Horsemen of California, 10004 Old Hwy 99, Grenada, CA 96038-9602.