



## William Corey Hetherington

August 30, 1920 - February 25, 2012

Longtime Seiad Valley resident William Corey Hetherington passed away February 25, 2012 at his home in Seiad Valley. He was 91 years old.

Bill was born August 30, 1920 in Boston, Mass to Roy and Grace Hetherington. He attended school in the Boston area, and moved as a young man to the San Diego area. While there, Bill met and later married Lula Mae "Tootie" Walsh. Bill worked for Lockheed Martin prior to World War II. He served in Europe as a B-17 tail gunner in the U.S. Army Air Corp during World War II. After the war, he returned to Southern California where he worked as a contractor with his father-in-law building homes. In 1957 Bill, Tootie and their two sons moved north to Thompson Creek, near Seiad Valley. Once established on the river, Bill and Tootie added two daughters to their family. Bill continued to build homes and businesses until 2006. In 1975, they built a new home in Seiad Valley where he resided until his passing.

Bill is survived by his four children: Steve Hetherington and his wife Donna of Crescent City, Roy Hetherington of Seiad Valley, Jeanne Girdner and her husband Gregg of Yreka, and Sherri Walters and her husband Ken of Yreka; a sister, Dorothy "Dot" Kent of Blue Ridge Summit, Pennsylvania; seven grandchildren and ten great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife of 66 years, Tootie, and a great grandson.

A Celebration of Bill's Life will be held on Saturday, May 5, 2012 at 1:00 PM at the Seiad Valley Fire Department in Seiad Valley, CA. In lieu of flowers or gifts, memorial contributions may be made in Bill's name to the Seiad Valley

Fire Department, Seiad Valley, CA 96086. Girdner Funeral Chapel is in charge of arrangements. Online condolences may be made at [www.girdnerfuneralchapel.com](http://www.girdnerfuneralchapel.com).