



Edward Eugene Gardner

January 8, 1938 - May 17, 2020

Edward Eugene Gardner, “Mr. Ed” or Eddie to most, died peacefully at home, surrounded by loved ones, in San Bernardino, CA on Sunday, May 17, 2020 at the age of 82.

Ed is survived by his children Edward (Scott) Gardner, wife Yolanda, Allen Gardner, wife Tia, Douglas Gardner and Pamela Escamilla, husband, Tony. His grandchildren, Edward (Gregory), Bethany, Rebecca, Michael, Emilia, Kristofer, Jacob, Samantha, Ryan and Brooke. Great grandchildren and God grandchildren, Davis, Emmabella, Aidun, Frankie, Beckett, Shelly, (little)Jacob, and Phoebe. His siblings, Roland, Sid and Audrey. He also loved and considered Helen’s brother Mike and sister Ruth as his own. Many nieces, nephews and friends. He was preceded in death by his wife of 59 years, Helen Gardner, and his brothers, Jerry Gardner and David Ellsworth.

Ed was born in Imperial, Ca to Anna L. and Jerrell Gardner. He graduated from San Jacinto High School and married Helen a few years later in 1959. He worked for the local newspapers in San Jacinto and Hemet then, after moving to San Bernardino, began working for The Sun Telegram. He moved on from the newspapers to own his own businesses, Gardner Printing and Gardner Rubber Stamp Co., then returned to The Sun Telegram before he “really” retired.

Eddie and Helen had many adventures together and together with their children. These times camping and exploring were what Eddie described as his favorite times in life. Ed (and Helen both) loved spending time at their Arizona home, and boating on Lake Mead. We all will remember Ed as the best Dad a kid could wish for, a best brother and friend too. We will miss him so very much.

Ed was active in many groups and clubs. From the early years in the PTA, Boy Scouts and Exchange Club, to his more advanced hobbies in singing in the Barbershop Quartet Group (SPEBSQSA), Rockhounding and Silversmithing with OBMS (Orange Belt Mineralogical Society). Ed found a love for and importance of Genealogy, tracing his and Helen’s family back many generations. He was a member of the NRA, Mojave Arms Collectors Association, and was an avid shooter (target shooting). He also enjoyed camping, fishing, woodworking and being an all-around Handy Guy.

Ed was drafted into the Army in 1961 to 1963, then served in the reserves until 1967. He was a medic, serving stateside and also earned a Marksmanship Honor. He was very

proud of the United States Military and had a great love for his country.

A Graveside Burial will be scheduled in the near future at San Jacinto Valley Cemetery, depending in the status of the Covid19 situation. Pam Moore will officiate the ceremony. All are welcome to attend and celebrate Eddie's life. Please contact Bobbitt's or a family member for further dates and information.

Cemetery

Events

San Jacinto Valley Cemetery JUN

2555 Santa Fe Street

San Jacinto, CA, 92583

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Graveside Service

11:00AM - 12:00PM

San Jacinto Valley Cemetery

2555 Santa Fe Street, San Jacinto, CA, US, 92583

Comments



“ My grandpa was the best grandpa ever! Also the best great grandpa. I remember him sitting me on his lap riding me around on his lawn mower, Sitting me in his lap and making rubber stamps with me at Gardner rubber stamp shop, showing me all the huge machines at the Sun newspaper, and so much more. I love to hear him sing, and I loved how he called me “honey,” he was the best grandpa ever, and although I’m 100% confident he’s in heaven and I’ll see him soon, I will still miss him dearly. From fossil and rock hunting in Arizona to his knowledge of guns, to his sense of humor. I love you grandpa.



shelly - June 28 at 03:01 AM



“ He was and will always be "Big Eddie" to a lot of us and me. Spent a lot of summers with my family in So. Ca. Love, only Love.



Meg Gray - June 02 at 06:31 PM



“ I enjoyed boy scouts with Mr Ed... Grew up with his boys. Only good moments knowing him and his family. Rest in God Mr Ed

Dan Ogden - May 29 at 02:49 PM



“ Patrick Troy Gray and Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Edward Eugene Gardner.



Patrick Troy Gray and Family - May 29 at 02:06 PM