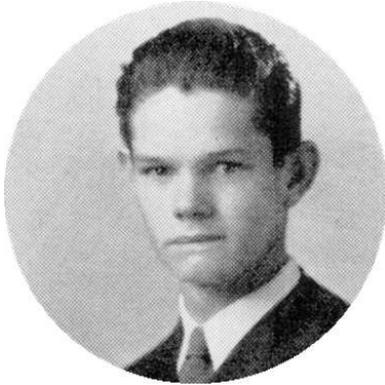


Clarence DeLong



August 9, 1934 – April 25, 2008

Resident of Stockton, California

Clarence DeLong, 73, passed away on April 25th in San Diego, California. Born in Limon, Colorado he moved to California with his family when he was nine years old. He resided in the Bay Area for over 50 years before retiring from East Bay Ford and relocating to Stockton. After his retirement, Clarence continued to work inventories on the weekends. In his spare time he enjoyed gardening, camping and watching Nascar, the Oakland A's, and wrestling. He had a passion for collecting Chevron Cars and baseball hats.

In later years he was a devoted caregiver for his wife Darlene. Clarence was always available to help anyone who needed assistance and was an asset to his neighborhood. Clarence was a proud grandfather; frequently traveling to watch his grandsons play baseball and football. Above all, he treasured spending time with his family and was so proud of the accomplishments made by his daughters and grandchildren.

We will truly miss hearing him complain about Cal-Trans standing around leaning on their shovels and Safeway's buy one get one free when he only needed one item to begin with. The world is now a little dimmer; it has lost one of its brightest stars.

Clarence is survived by his wife of 52 years, Darlene Mildred DeLong; daughters: Donna Meacham (Robert) of Sacramento, Terri DeLong of Nevada, Carol Schafer of Fremont, and Tracy Porras (Richard) of Stockton; grandchildren: Ann Roeber, Laura Gray, Jacqueline Conley, Tracy Schafer, Travis Schafer, Heather Conley, Melissie Meacham, Jeremy Porras, Johnathan Conley, Robert Meacham Junior, and Marc Porras; and 5 great-grandchildren. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents, Gladys Mae and Everett DeLong; brother Ernest DeLong; sisters, Mary Cornett and Margaret Maes; and great-grandson Daniel Smit.

Memorial services will be held Saturday, May 3, 2 p.m., DeYoung Memorial Chapel, 601 N. California St., Stockton, California.

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