



David G. Hay

January 9, 1934 - July 31, 2013

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David G. Hay, age 79, a resident of Los Lunas, NM passed away on Wednesday, July 31, 2013. Born at home in Van Houton, NM David's family moved to Dawson, NM in 1940 and to Albuquerque, NM in 1947 he moved to California in 1964 to Arkansas in 2006 and moved back to NM in 2012, the final year of his life was spent with his niece and nephew, Vicki and Norman Westerfeld, Jr. of Jarales, NM who spoiled and pampered him like a prince. David served in the US Navy from 1951-1954, on the USS Tombigbee as a boatswain mate. He served in Pearl Harbor, Japan, the Aleutian Island, Alaska and the Korean War. While stationed in Pearl Harbor he was thrilled to meet John Wayne while escorting to the Pearl Harbor Memorial. During the last few weeks of David's life he was honored by the VFW and Ambercare for his service to his country. David loved motorcycles, one of his favorite bikes was a Norton which he called his "Snortin Norton", he also loved classic cars and trucks, the Indianapolis 500 and beautiful women. When he was a young man he was one of the first drivers for Malcolm Wrecker Service when Chick and Annie Malcolm had only three wreckers, he had many tales to tell about the years he worked for Malcolm. David loved his job with California State Parks where he satisfied his passion for operating all types of heavy equipment, he said he could make the equipment "dance". He loved to work with wood and was a master craftsman and made many beautiful items of

furniture. He also carved wooden canes and when he saw someone that needed a cane, he gave them one he had carved. Almost everyone in David's family has a cane with his signature "did by David". He also crocheted afghans, said it kept him from smokin' and drinkin'. After he retired from California State Parks he and Pam travelled in their RV and had a great time working as camp host and hostess. He was preceded in death by his parents, Nelle (Nan) and George Hay; wife, Pamela Brainard Hay; son, George Boyd Hay. David is survived by his son, Mark Hay and wife, Debbie; daughter, JoAnna Welsh and husband, John; grandchildren, Tyler, Kelly and Glenna Welsh and Taylor Hay; step-daughter, Valerie and husband, David Foster; step-grandchildren, Alicia and husband, Douglas Padilla and Christopher Foster; step-great-grandchildren, Alexis Padilla; sister, Sandra Westerfeld and husband, Norman Westerfeld Sr.; sister, Shareen Hay; nieces and nephews, Vicki and Norman Westerfeld Jr., Cal Herron, Cindie and Chris Corvin, Cheryl and Mike Morgan. He is also survived by many great nieces and nephews and great-great nieces and nephews. David requested that any remembrances of him be in the form of a donation to the breast cancer organization of your choice. A Memorial Service will be held at a later date. Sign David's online register book at www.romerofuneralhomenm.com Romero Funeral Home, 609 N. Main St., Belen, NM

Tribute Wall

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“ He was amazing. He and his wife helped me get on my feet just after HS. I stayed at his place in Calaveras Big Trees State Park. Friends with his son Boyd Hay. Sam Golden Here. greatcommission belize@gmail.com

Sam Golden - March 17 at 09:32 PM

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“ Valerie lit a candle in memory of David G. Hay



Valerie - November 02, 2013 at 05:41 PM