



Robert Blair Kramer (Bob)

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Together Again



Robert Blair Kramer was born on March 7, 1921 in Inglewood, California, to Edward M. and Rowena Brachard Kramer. He passed away peacefully on Wednesday October 9, 2013 at the age of 92. Dad grew up the second of two children in Inglewood, and attended his schooling there. During his high school years he was able to fulfill his dream of playing varsity football on his Inglewood High School team. He was very passionate about football and was an avid 49ers football fan. For many years mom and dad had season tickets to the 49ers games in San Francisco. No matter where he was, he would find a way to either watch or listen when they played.

Dad joined the Navy right out of high school and was trained as a radioman. He served before and during WWII as a radio operator on the USS Idaho out of San Diego. While stationed in San Diego, he met and married the love of his life, Virginia Mae Slaughter. After he was honorably discharged, at the end of the war, mom and dad moved from San Diego to Santa Rosa, California to start their new life together.

After arriving in Santa Rosa, dad went to Santa Rosa Junior College to learn the art of refrigeration. Upon completion, he opened a very successful refrigeration business, which he owned and operated for many years. He later sold the business and entered into the business of property management.

After a few years living Santa Rosa and the purchase of their first house, they were blessed with a baby girl. They named her Deborah Lee. Dad spent many hours learning photography and taking countless pictures and movies of their new baby and the family.

Mom and dad shared many hobbies over the years. They always shared each other's love of going camping, fishing, and rock hunting. Many Thanksgivings and Christmases were spent in a small trailer way out in the middle of the Mohave Desert.

Learning to fly and playing golf also became two of their favorite hobbies. Dad purchased a small single engine Cessna after both mom and dad earned their private pilots license. They enjoyed frequent trips to San Diego to go dancing and play golf at one of their favorite golf courses.

Mom and dad enjoyed life to the fullest until mom passed away in 1994. After a few years dad finally consented to move to Nephi where he resided until his passing.

He is survived by his daughter, Deborah (Merrill) Sanders of Nephi, Utah. His grandchildren: Troy (Jennifer) Sanders, Grantsville, Utah, Tena (Warren) Pickens, Boonville, Mo., Krista (Kris) Arдохain, Nephi, Utah, and Korry Sanders, Nephi, Utah, as well as 11 great-grandchildren; Kalli, Izaiah, Brielle, Sadie, Ashlee, Jake, Cole, Luke, Kade, Kaiya, and a new baby.

He was preceded in death by his parents: Edward and Rowena Kramer, 1 sister; Kay Kramer French, and his wife; Virginia Mae Kramer.

A small memorial graveside service and burial was held Monday, October 14, 2013 at Vine Bluff Cemetery in Nephi, Utah.

The family would like to express their sincere appreciation to Dr. Oveson, Dr. Taylor, the nursing staff at the Spanish Fork Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Spanish Fork and Red Cliffs Assisted Living in Nephi for their excellent care and attentiveness during dad's stay at their facility.