



Robert Calvin Mathews

July 3, 1925 - May 21, 2016

On May 21, 2016, Robert C. Mathews passed very peacefully at home to be with the Angels in Heaven. Bob was born on July 3, 1925 in Lexington, Oklahoma. He is survived by his loving wife Dorothy (Sammons) Mathews, his three daughters, one son, along with his brother, grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces and nephews. Interment will be at the Sacramento Valley National Cemetery. Bob lived a most amazing life full of experience and adventure. He was a World War II Navy combat vet, and served most of the war on the USS Chenango, an escort carrier involved in many major battles in the Pacific. After the war, he went on to be a butcher in a local market; haul hay and tomatoes for the family farm in Dixon, California; was a cattle rancher, and worked at Aerojet General during the Apollo Space Program making solid and liquid fuels for the rocket boosters and engines. But he is best remembered for being a loving husband to his wife Dorothy for over 68 years. He was also an awesome father, and nothing came before his family. He was our hero, our mentor, our rock. He was a true Patriarch in every sense. He was known as the "Cookie Man" by many and loved to take his one of a kind treats to the people he enjoyed most in his life. He will be greatly missed and lovingly remembered by all of his family and friends. On June 1, 2016, a Celebration of Life will be held in Bob's honor at the Arcade Creek Manor apartment complex clubhouse, 6546 Auburn Blvd from 2-4pm. The family is requesting in lieu of flowers donations be made online to Mercy Hospice at www.supportmercyfoundation.org/donate or send checks to Mercy

Hospice, 9912 Business Park Drive Suite 100, Sacramento, CA, 95820.
Please note on your check ?In Memory of Robert Mathews?.

Tribute Wall

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“ I will forever miss my Uncle Bob. He had a great sense of humor and some great stories about his life as he was growing up. I would call him on the phone and he would always have something to tell me that I did not know, for example about harvesting hay. He was a loving Uncle as well as a friend to me and Joe.

Marie Mathews Dittmann - June 04, 2016 at 04:50 PM

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“ A candle was lit in remembrance

Marie and Joseph Dittmann - June 04, 2016 at 04:27 PM

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“ Rest in peace Papa, you meant the world to me. I love you.

Sheila Hein - May 30, 2016 at 06:50 PM

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“ Sending our love and every tender wish as you mourn the passing of your 'Rock'. A life well lived. xoxo

Kelly Nelson Fagan & Doug Fagan - May 29, 2016 at 09:09 PM