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Buddy Loyd Tankersley, 83 years old of Bonita, California passed away on October 11th, 2018 in San Diego, California surrounded by his family. Buddy was born in McCurtain, Oklahoma to his parents, Herman and Margaret Tankersley. He served in the army and received an honorable discharge. He had many jobs, but he retired from Convair in 1993. He was survived by his daughter Margaret Guzman, son in law Michael Guzman, granddaughter Jasmine Tankersley, his sisters, Pearl Taylor and Shirley Glasco and his brother Kirby Tankersley. Services will be held at Greenwood Memorial Park. A visitation will take place in Greenwood's Longfellow room on Sunday, October 21st from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm and the funeral service will take place in Greenwood's Salli Lynn Chapel on Monday, October 22nd at 10:00 am, with graveside services to follow. "You left a place no one can fill. We miss you Dad and always will." Life is like a journey on a train With its stations, with changes of routes and with accidents! At birth we boarded the train and met our parents, and we believe they will always travel on our side. However, at some station our Parents will step down from the train, leaving us on this journey alone. As time goes by, other people will board the train; and they will be significant i.e. our siblings, friends, children, and even the love of our life. Many will step down and leave a permanent vacuum. Others will go so unnoticed that we don't realize that they vacated their seats! This train ride will be full of joy, sorrow, fantasy, expectations, hellos, goodbyes, and farewells. Success consists of having a good relationship with all the passengers... requiring that we give the best of ourselves. The mystery to everyone is: We do not know at which station we ourselves will step down. So, we must live in the best way – Love, Forgive, and offer the best of who we are. It is important to do this because when the time comes for us to step down and leave our seat empty, we should leave behind beautiful memories for those who will continue to travel on the train of life without us. I wish you a joyful journey for the coming years on your train of life.



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Reap success, give lots of love and be happy. More importantly, be thankful for the journey! Lastly, I thank you for being one of the passengers on my train!



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JA

Jasmine posted:

Grandpa, I wish I could've told you that I loved you 100 times more than I had. You hold a huge piece of my heart and I couldn't have been more lucky to say Buddy Loyd Tankersley is my grandpa! You helped provide me with the best childhood, and so many golden memories that I'll never forget. A poem for grandpa. Born into a world knowing nothing I opened my eyes and saw you A strong man with a smile how much you loved me I hadn't a clue Buddy Loyd Tankersley I grew up by your side Buddy Loyd Tankersley I had become your pride You put the world into my small hands Giving me more than I could ask for Putting a smile on my little face I grew to love you evermore You always went above and beyond My grandpa could never be beat You always made my heart whole No other man could ever compete I remained by your side, now I remain by your spirit I'll miss you more and more everyday Cherishing memories forever in my heart It's not goodbye for I know you'll always be there to lead the way. I love you ??

October 22 at 5:17 AM

MI

Michael posted:

Sometimes people come into your life for a moment, a day, or lifetime. It matters not the time they spent with you but how they impacted your life in that time. That's what you did. You impacted my life in a way I never imagined. It's been hard knowing that we won't share anymore laughs, or sitting down to just talk. Losing you has been harder than I thought. Now those are just memories that I will always cherish. You'll never know how much you really meant to me. I'm just sorry that I never got the chance to tell you. Love you Buddy!

October 19 at 5:05 AM

SI

Sis posted:

Dad, I really never got to tell you that you were the best daddy in the world. You worked so hard and did without just so I could have. You taught me right from wrong and raised me the best way you knew how. I look back and wish I had told you so many things but I know you knew how I felt. It's been so hard going from seeing you everyday and now only having memories of those days. I wish you were still here but I know it was time for you to go. I know you said you didn't want to leave me, but don't worry about me, I'll be ok because I had you as my life teacher and I know I'll get by just fine. I love you daddy and please know you made my life great and I can't thank you enough for all you did and I thank God for making you my dad!

October 18 at 6:34 AM



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KT

Kirby W. Tankersley posted:

Hey Buddy, did I ever tell you, you were my Hero? Probably not... but you were my big brother. As a kid I always looked up to you. You always had the coolest cars and the best looking girlfriends too! You would come home from a date with lipstick all over your face and I would think "I want to be just like him when I grow up." When you came home from boot camp in the Army they must have fed you really good because you looked larger than life to your little brother. I want to thank you for buying my first car. I know you didn't think it was that big a deal, but that meant the world to me. Then when I got my 2nd car you sprayed it with the best paint job ever, making me have the coolest car in Lomita Village. Yes, you were my Hero. Even when I was angry with you, I never stopped loving you. We drifted apart in our later years, but I'm happy we made our peace before you had to leave cause you'll always be my Hero. Rest In Peace Big Brother.

October 17 at 6:05 AM

DM

Diana Matheny posted:

Fly high with the angels and your mom and dad, Buddy.

October 13 at 11:23 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Buddy by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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