



Ernest A. Babbitt

September 20, 1929 - May 24, 2010

Ernest Ernie Babbitt, of Turlock, died at the age of 80 at Emanuel Medical Center after a lengthy illness. He was born in Hollister and moved with his family to Turlock in 1940, where he attended Lowell School and Turlock High School. He worked for General Motors and Safeway foods before taking jobs working outdoors, which included his work at a lumber mill where he drove logging trucks. In the early 1950s he went to work for Turlock Fruit Co., where he worked in a variety of their farming operations for the next 50 years, until his retirement in 2004. A lifelong horse lover, Ernie was a member of Turlock Horsemen's Club. He was an active farmer and rancher, and an avid fisherman, hunter, camper, and traveler. Ernie is survived by his wife of almost 35 years, Marie Babbitt, and his children, Sharon Babbitt and Allen (Marlaine) Babbitt, all of Turlock. He also leaves his step-sons, Myron (Judy) Larson, Randy (Missy) Larson, Dan (Marilyn) Larson, and Marc (Diane) Larson, all of Turlock, as well as a sister, Barbara Harms, of Arizona. Thirteen grandchildren and two great-grandchildren also survive him. Memorial contributions may be made to Teen Challenge, 6643 Faith Home Rd., Ceres 95307 or Turlock Historical Society, P. O. Box 18, Turlock 95381. Graveside services will be held at Turlock Memorial Park on Friday, May 28, at 10:30 a.m. Services are being conducted by Turlock Funeral Home.

Tribute Wall



“ Ernest A. Babbitt

January 28, 2023 at 09:01 AM



“ Dear Marie, I am sorry to hear about Ernie, unfortunately I just found out this a.m. by a friend but I couldn't get off work.... Ernie was a gentleman as I write you these words I can't help but cry he and Turlock Fruit... and my wonderful father will always be connected in my heart.. One time Mrs. R. Smith said to me that Don and Ernie and my father were her boys and would always be...I can close my eyes and see Ernie drive up to the ranch like a clock always on time.. I am sorry my love to you and the family.. God Bless You and Yours Angelina Aldama

Angelina Aldama - May 28, 2010 at 12:00 AM