



Leonard Ness

June 30, 1927 - October 11, 2025

Leonard Ness, a devoted husband, father, and outdoor enthusiast, passed away on October 11, 2025, at the age of 98. Born on June 30, 1927, Leonard lived a life filled with great adventure, love, and dedication to his family. He was a wonderful stepfather, grandfather, great-grandfather, and a friend to family and friends.

Leonard served in the United States Navy from 1950 to 1954, where he worked as a deep-sea diver and ship welder. His military service was a testament to his bravery and work ethic. After his time in the navy, Leonard worked as a painter by trade, painting many homes and bridges all over California, including the iconic Golden Gate Bridge.

In 1956, Leonard married his beloved wife, Carol Fiechter Ness. Together they shared countless memories and adventures. Leonard's love for the outdoors was further nurtured by his son-in-law and best buddy, Gene Fiechter, with whom he enjoyed fishing and hunting trips across many states. Leonard was also known for his thoughtful gestures, particularly his cherished Christmas tradition of giving homegrown oranges to the entire family on Christmas Day, spreading joy and warmth to all.

After the passing of his wife, Leonard found solace in embarking on solo road trips, often starting at 3:00 a.m. to unknown destinations. One of his most

notable adventures took him all the way to Alaska. Sadly Leonard's passing is the last descendent of the Ness name. Leonard's legacy is one of love, adventure, and dedication to family. He will be deeply missed by those who knew him.

Please join the family for a graveside service at Turlock Memorial Park on Wednesday, October 22, 2025 at 11:00 a.m.

Cemetery Details

Turlock Memorial Park

575 N. Soderquist Rd.
Turlock, CA 95380
(209) 632-9111
<http://turlockmemorialpark.com>

Previous Events

Graveside Service

OCT **22**. 11:00 AM (PT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *The Ness family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Leonard Ness.*

The Ness family - October 15, 2025 at 05:50 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Leonard Ness.*



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