



Nolan Wayne Wingo

September 26, 1929 - January 8, 2010

Nolan Wayne Wingo, beloved husband, father, grandfather, teacher, mentor and friend, passed away peacefully on the morning of January 8th with family by his side, from complications with dementia. Born in Dickens, Texas, Wayne moved to California with his family as a boy, living in Corcoran, Napa and Patterson. After graduating from Patterson High School in 1948 he attended Modesto Junior College where he met his wife of 56 years, Ernestine (Ernie) Cassino. He served three years in the Coast Guard before graduating from Fresno State in 1957. In 1957 he began his 33-year career at Livingston High School, teaching chemistry, physics, electronics and general science. In 1967 Wayne was awarded a National Science Foundation grant and received his Masters degree from the University of Utah. The passion and enthusiasm he brought to his classroom, and as a wrestling and track coach, touched the lives of many of his students and will always remain a part of his legacy. After retirement Wayne continued to enjoy his lifelong passions of camping, fishing, photography, gardening (especially his beloved grapes) and entertaining family and friends. In recent years he also volunteered with the preservation of the wood duck and salmon environments in the San Joaquin Valley. He is survived by his wife Ernie, their three children, Brian (Debbie) of Tracy, Greg (Cindy) of Seattle, and Barbara (Francisco) of South San Francisco, brother Jim of Fortuna, and grandchildren Sarah, Megan, Natalie, Matthew and Alessandro. The family respectfully requests that, in lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in his name to the Livingston High School

Scholarship Fund, Attn: Laureen Cardoza, 1617 Main Street, Livingston, CA 95330 or Grover Hot Springs State Park, c/o Bodie Foundation, P.O. Box 278, Bridgeport, CA 93517, www.bodiefoundation.org. A memorial service will be held at 11:00 am on Saturday, January 23rd at Turlock Funeral Home, 425 N. Soderquist Rd.

Tribute Wall



“ *Nolan Wayne Wingo*

January 28, 2023 at 09:01 AM



“ *Mr Wingo was the greatest teacher I have ever known.He often invited me to visit his home and I wish I had.*

Robert Francis - August 05, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *Was really saddened when I learned that my high school science teacher had passed on. Currently am writing a newspaper column and am mentioning important teachers in my life. Mr. Wingo was one of those and he ignited and fanned the flames of my passion for science. I will always be grateful for his passion and enthusiasm.*

Kevin Wychopen - June 18, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Science and scientists are pretty cool...*

I specially remember my high school science instructor Mr. Wingo (We all used to think he looked like Kenny Rogers). Mr. Wingo taught basically all the science classes: I took electronics, chemistry; general sciences with him, and was his classroom assistant.. I think he also taught at the local university. I think he was also certified to detect nuclear emissions, in case of catastrophe. He was a "geek", who was scientifically brilliant, and really funny, but spelling was definitely not his forte. RIP Mr. Nolan W. Wingo and THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE!!! . . . I know you struggled in spelling simple words like rock, earth, sand . . . but I know you won't struggle with GOD!

Francisco J. Barragan, class of 1981-served in US Marines (1987-1994)& CA Army NG (1994-97)...Commander of UMAVA.org - a veterans organization in Orange County, CA.

Francisco Barragan - March 18, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ *We want to express our deepest sympathy for your loss. No words can take away the pain but we want you to know that your friends are here for you during this difficult time. Please know that we hold you in our prayers.*

Scott and Paulette

Scott and Paulette Cooper - January 22, 2010 at 12:00 AM