



William Lee Tiernan

April 7, 1929 - September 12, 2016

William Lee Tiernan was born in Muldrow, Oklahoma to Ruth and Raymond Tiernan. When Bill was 10, the family moved to California where he graduated from Garden Grove High School in 1947. He went on to join the Air Force, serving in the Korean Conflict from 1951-1955. He graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Social Science from California State University, Stanislaus in 1967.

Bill met his wife Danette while working as a lifeguard at Lake Yosemite in Merced. The two were married on Dec. 1, 1956 and soon welcomed their two children: Chris and Julie. After six years working as a Parks and Recreation Director in Southern California, the family returned from La Palma to Turlock where Bill began working for Stanislaus County.

Following his retirement from the County in 1990, Bill was able to dedicate even more time to the things he loved most: skiing, gardening, golfing, fishing, and spending time with his family—especially his grandchildren.

Bill passed from this life and into Heaven late Monday afternoon surrounded by his wife of nearly sixty years, Danette, son Chris (Cyndi), daughter Julie (Curt Andre), grandson Kyle (Ashley), granddaughter Meredith (Josh Weimer), granddaughter Morgan, and grandson Austin (Katie). Bill is also survived by his daughter Linda Tiernan, grandson Geordon O'Leary, sister-in-law Jeannine Arndt, and several nieces and nephews.

A visitation will be held on Mon., Sep. 19 from 4 to 7 p.m. at Turlock Funeral Home, 425 N. Soderquist Rd., Turlock. A celebration of life will be held at the

same location on Tues., Sep. 20 at 10 a.m. following private interment at Turlock Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to Faith Home Teen Challenge (P.O. Box 611, Turlock, CA 95381) or Jessica's House (714 E. Main St., Turlock, CA 95380).

Cemetery Details

Turlock Memorial Park

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

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **19**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (PT)

Turlock Funeral Home
425 North Soderquist Road
Turlock, CA 95381
(209) 632-9111
<https://turlockfuneralhome.com>

Funeral Service

SEP **20**. 10:00 AM (PT)

Turlock Funeral Home
425 North Soderquist Road
Turlock, CA 95381
(209) 632-9111
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Reception

SEP **20**. 11:00 AM (PT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *William Lee Tiernan*

January 28, 2023 at 09:01 AM



“ *We are so sorry to read about Bill's passing. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Danette and the family. George and Rhett Owings*



Rhett Owings - September 16, 2016 at 01:02 AM



“ *Mike and Terry Murphy purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of William Lee Tiernan.*



Mike and Terry Murphy - September 15, 2016 at 07:57 PM