



## Alan P. Fryer Jr.

December 7, 1926 - January 10, 2017

Age 90 years old, passed away of natural causes peacefully at home, surrounded by family, on January 10, 2017. He was born on December 7, 1926 in Amarillo, Texas to Alan and Kathryn Fryer. Alan was orphaned at the age of six and raised by his mother's family in Kansas. In high school, he excelled in academics, played football and was senior class president. Alan enlisted in the U.S. Navy during WW II and was stationed in Chicago, Mare Island and Pearl Harbor. At Mare Island he saw the atomic bombs being guarded in secrecy, and the final departure of the famous USS Indianapolis. Following his honorable discharge, he attended Kansas State University, graduating in 1950 with a BS degree in Natural Science. Three days after graduating, Alan was hired by Keystone Oil Exploration as a geophysicist. While stationed in Santa Paula, he met the love of his life Tommye Rita Lopez of Carpinteria, and married her soon after. Because of his job, they moved to Oklahoma and then to Texas. Tired of the constant moving, they returned to California in 1957, living 10 years in Carpinteria. In 1967, Alan moved his family to Santa Barbara and then later to Goleta. Alan worked 36 years for the Santa Barbara County Surveyors Office and retired in 1991. In retirement, Alan took wood working classes, spent quality time with family and traveled around the world. Alan unconditionally loved his family and could be counted on to attend all family activities. It is with great sadness that in 2014, he lost his son Roger D. Fryer, and his wife Tommye Rita, who he was married to for over 60 years.

Alan is survived by his children Linda Fryer Lopez of Santa Barbara; Alan and Kathy Fryer III of San Jose; Patricia Fryer Kelley of Truckee; Margaret and Randall Kempf of Goleta; Joyce Fryer and Kathee Christie of Santa Barbara; Thomas Fryer of Goleta, and many grandchildren, great-grandchildren and a great-great-grandson.

Viewing is on Fri, Jan 20th from 10-11 am at the Welch-Ryce-Haider Funeral Home, 450 Ward Drive, SB, where the memorial service will begin at 11 am, followed by his burial at the Goleta Cemetery, 44. S. San Antonio Rd., in SB at 12:30 pm. Family and friends will gather afterwards at a family residence.

# Cemetery Details

## **Goleta Cemetery**

44 South San Antonio Road  
SANTA BARBARA, CA 93110  
(805) 967-3608

# Tribute Wall



“ *Uncle Alan was such a gentle spirited man I will treasure the many times we spent visiting with him and my auntie as well as my cousins...RIP* ”

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**Nancy Hicks** - January 20, 2017 at 12:52 PM