



Gerald Dennis Dal Pozzo

May 25, 1924 - October 19, 2013

Age 89, passed away suddenly on October 19, 2013 at the Goleta Valley Hospital. He did not give up easily as he always enjoyed his long and happy life, a life well lived and full of family, friends, adventure, and fun.

A native of Santa Barbara, Dick was born on May 25, 1924, the son of the late Joe and Myrle Dal Pozzo. He attended S.B. College at the Riviera location. In World War II, Dick enlisted in the Army Air Corps and was stationed in New Guinea. Upon his return from the service, he took over his father's tire business and ran the Dal Pozzo Tire Corporation until he retired in 2003.

Dick was preceded in death by his wife of 53 years, Helen (Candy) Egus and son, Joel. He is survived by his second wife Joanne (Carroll) Dal Pozzo, his son Steven and wife Sharon, his daughter Denise and husband Charles Judd, and 6 grandchildren: Keith, Daniel (Judd), Lindsey, Marlin , and Mandy McElwee.

Candy and Dick were happily married for 53 years until her death in 2000. They had an active social life in Santa Barbara that included memberships in many social clubs. They travelled frequently, throughout the United States and abroad to Europe, China, Japan and Mexico. They once purchased a Volkswagen van in Germany and spent a year traveling and camping throughout Europe. Many camping and waterskiing trips were enjoyed with

friends and family at CA beaches, Lake Nacimiento, Lake Arrowhead and Mexico.

In May 2002, Dick married Joanne of S.B. They enjoyed their years of happiness together as members of the S.B. Yacht Club and travels to Sicily, Hawaii, Costa Rica and Canada.

Dick was a wonderfully spirited man who will be remembered and cherished by his family and friends. He had a curious mind, a big heart and he was always ready for adventure. He was a dedicated family man and hard worker with many passionate interests and hobbies.

Dick liked to think of himself as a true Californian who enjoyed S. B. at a time when it was a small rural town with a two lane highway. Dick and his father Joe were members of The Trail Riders and went on many trail rides together. Dick also rode in many Fiesta parades.

In the 1950's Dick built his first sailboat and became an avid sailor. In the early 1960's he joined the S.B. Yacht Club and spent years competitive sailing on Wet Wednesdays. His crew included his son Steven, son-in-law Charles and close friends. They also participated other events including races to the Channel Islands, Kings Harbor, and Ensenada. There were also many casual family "cocktail" cruises and trips alone to the islands with Steven.

Dick also had a keen interest in all things artistic. He learned pottery and built his own potter's wheel. He also was a metal arts sculptor and jewelry maker. His large welded pieces included mobiles, sailboats, and garden designs.

His grandson Keith summed up the family's feelings for Dick: "In one amazing person we was fortunate to have a father, grand father, a teacher and a mentor. Most of all he was someone to guide us through the tough times in life

and ultimately make him proud. To that man we will think of you everyday and we love you."

Thank you to The Heritage House for their kind care and the nurses at his end in GVH.

A private memorial will be held at a future date to honor his life.