



Travis Galen Grimmer

August 14, 1930 - June 3, 2013

Travis Galen Grimmer, 82 passed away peacefully on June 3rd, 2013 in the comfort of his home in Napa California.

He was born in Marshall Texas, on August 14, 1930 to Travis Lane and Lenora Grimmer. He was brought up from humble beginnings and quit high school to join the USAF to make a better life for himself. As a young G.I. stationed at Travis AFB , he took courses to complete his college degree while in the military and held two jobs for many years to provide the best for his family.

In 1954, Travis married Antonia (Toni) Sciambra in Vallejo and in 1956 started their family. They moved to Napa in 1960 and became early parishioners of St. Apollinaris Catholic Church. After his service in the military, he remained at Travis AFB for 36 years and retired in 1986.

Travis was a huge sports fan all his life, many times watching a game on TV while listening to another on the radio. He enjoyed fishing, playing dominoes, restoring antique radios and taking his family to the lake every summer for vacation. For over 40 years, Travis was a member of Knights of Columbus. Travis was predeceased by his loving wife of 37 years, Antonia in 1992. In 1993, he married Rose Callaway and had the opportunity to travel the world. They enjoyed cruises and also travel by RV.

Travis is survived by his son Steve Grimmer (Joann), daughter Karen Grimmer Lucia (Jeff) and only grandson Adam Price (Stephanie). He is survived by his sister Nelrene Holt and brother James Grimmer, and

predeceased by his sister Lurlene Watson. Travis is survived by his wife Rose Grimmer of Yountville, and his step children, Kate, Carolyn and Dan Calaway. The family wishes to thank Hospice of Napa Valley, especially the loving care of his nurse, Ida Spencer and Joice Bryan and his physician of many years, James Cotter MD of Kaiser Permanente. Memorial donations may be made to Pathway Home, 100 California Dr., Yountville, CA.

Previous Events

Rosary

JUN 6. 7:00 PM (PT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Travis Galen Grimmer*

September 29, 2022 at 04:54 PM



“ *Travis Galen Grimmer*

September 29, 2022 at 02:55 PM



“ *Steve and Karen,*

Chris and I are so sorry for the loss of your Dad. I had heard your Dad's name all through my life as the family would gather and talk of their childhood memories. Who would have thought that someday I would move to Napa and ironically meet the family the way I did. It all happened that one day when I went shopping and Joanne stopped me and asked where I was from. When I told her, she told me that is where her father-in-law was from. We immediately wrote down family names to share with our families. Your Dad called and told me he knew my Mom, Dad, Aunt and Uncle, and that Chris grew up with you also. What a connection! Please know that you and your entire family are in our prayers.

Peace be with you,

Tere & Chris Owyong

Tere Owyong - June 09, 2013 at 04:33 PM

GS

“ Galen, now you and dad are at the golden fish pond in the sky having good times together again!

Gina Tyler Stewart - June 09, 2013 at 02:07 PM

JV

“ Steve and Karen, I am very sad to hear of the passing of your father. He and your Mom were like 2nd parents to me during high school and our time at Napa JC. I remember all the card games, all the dinners and parties our families shared over the years. What a sense of humor your Dad had! Steve, remember when you, Kolar and I would be playing basketball out front and your Dad would hide in the garage and whistle at the girls across the street and say "John, cut that out" or "Mark, cut that out." He was really something. Please know that Galen and your Mom, and both of you, are in my prayers and I will have Masses said for both of them at my parish here in NH. May God's eternal light shine upon him and may he rest in peace. And may the Holy Spirit bring you peace.
John Vlastelin

John Vlastelin - June 07, 2013 at 01:55 PM

JK

“ Karen and Steve,
My thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. I remember your dad as a good, hearted soul. He was always so kind to our family. I enjoyed spending time at your house. Your mom and dad made me feel so welcome. Take care and may God's peace be with you.
Joe Kirk

Joe Kirk - June 07, 2013 at 11:11 AM

SG

“ Karen and Steve (and Jeff and Joann) - I am so sorry to hear of your dad's passing. I can still see his face in my mind and hear his voice -- way back from nearly 45 years ago. I remember really liking going over your house; it always felt like your dad and mom really liked kids. I loved your dad's easy way of speaking. I remember him as a kind man. I'm so sorry for your loss....
Sue Granzella

Sue Granzella - June 05, 2013 at 11:27 PM

MF

“ Margie Watson and Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Travis Galen Grimmer.



Margie Watson and Family - June 05, 2013 at 10:49 AM

LK

“ Karen, Jeff, Adam, Steve and Joann we are saddened by the death of Galen. We know he is in a better place and at peace. Our prayers are with your family. Libby & Roger Koch (Rose's sister)

Libby & Roger Koch - June 04, 2013 at 11:53 PM

LK

“ RIP catfish! You and dad catch a whooper.

Linda Tyler Kwoka - June 04, 2013 at 08:29 PM

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Lucia

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Karen Lucia - June 04, 2013 at 08:27 PM

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Karen Lucia - June 04, 2013 at 08:17 PM