



Clarence Owen Hawk

February 9, 1937 - March 16, 2024

Clarence Owen Hawks was born on February 9, 1937, in Los Angeles, CA, he passed away peacefully on March 16, 2024, in Bakersfield, Ca. at the young age of

87, surrounded by his children and grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his

Mother Romaine (Wells) Hawks, Father Clarence Leo Hawks, wife Carrie, and

brother Richard Allen Hawks.

Owen leaves behind his children from his 1st marriage, they are daughter Sheri

Tanner and husband Jeff, son David Hawks and wife Sylvia, son Richard Hawks and

wife Tonya, son Wesley Hawks and wife Sherry, also numerous grandchildren and

great grandchildren and a few great great grandchildren from this Hawks clan, And

from his 2nd marriage and love of his life Carrie Ratliff Hawks he leaves behind,

stepson Chris Hawks and wife Kelly, stepdaughter Christie Toms and her husband in

heaven Mike and son Michael Hawks and wife Vickie, plus more grandchildren and

great grandchildren, and YES we could fill a stadium. He also leaves behind his beloved sister Linda and her family, including numerous nieces and nephews. Owen was proud of his military years in the US Airforce, he joined at the age of 17, during the Korean War, he served from 1954 until 1957 where he worked in Finance/ Accounting department -He was stationed at Parks Airforce Base in Northern California, his job required the skills not a lot of enlisted men could do- his test scoring earned him this job and he made sure his fellow servicemen received their pay on time. During his service time he earned a National Defense Medal, he also earned a Good Conduct Medal, (Who would have ever thought!). It was during this time he met his 1st wife Lela Mae Baker- they married and soon started a family. After discharge from the Air Force, Owen went to Work for Seaboard Finance, he accepted a transfer and moved his young family to Bakersfield, CA. After moving to Bakersfield, he decided finance really wasn't his calling, so he went to work as an oiler then soon to operator. He began his Operating Engineer career at AS Mason and eventually worked for a number of other crane companies in the Kern/Bakersfield area. Finally ending up at Offshore Crane Company where he stayed for many years before retiring in 1992 at the age of 55. Owen's life was filled with adventure – He was a race car driver and frequented the Okie Bowl in Bakersfield, CA. He skydived till he was in his 60's, he

loved to Hunt and was a National Skeet shooting Champion earning him the nickname HAWKEYE. He had a passion for restoring old cars. His first project was a

1940 Ford Sedan, once that was complete, he moved on to tougher more badass

cars, like the 1964 Ford Mustang he restored to pristine condition, not once but

twice for Carrie (because he always said this is Carrie's car). Owen loved to fish and

soon after retirement he bought a deep-sea fishing boat which he moored at port

San Luis, this is where he spent many hours at sea.

Even though Owen still owned homes in Bakersfield, he called his little Rancho in Weldon Ca. his true home. This is where he spent days walking on his 5

acres followed by his beloved dogs.

Even, if were to search the entire universe, we are sure that we would never find a Father/ Father-in Law/ Grandpa/ Great Grandpa, like him- he was definitely

one of a kind. He was a big man with a big personality, embarrassing as heck in public

and always making all of us laugh (because we never knew what might come out of

his mouth). There was not a place he walked into that didn't know who he was

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EVERYBODY knew Owen Hawks!

Our hearts are broken, and it is hard for us to let go. While we would give anything for more years with him, we know his work on earth is complete and it is

time to rest. May his soul rest in peace as he is reunited in heaven with his

love

Carrie. To a life well lived, Owens memory will live on, in all of us.

Services will be held on Monday, April 8, 2024, at

Rock Harbor Church 10902 Snow Road, Bakersfield Ca.

starting at 11:30am, officiated by Pastor Frank.

Followed by the graveside service at the

Bakersfield National Cemetery, 30338 E. Bear Mountain Blvd. Arvin, CA.

93203

starting at 2:00pm officiated by Pastor Brandon.

Cemetery Details

Bakersfield National Cemetery

30338 East Bear Mountain Blvd
Arvin, CA 93203

Previous Events

Service

APR 8. 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM (PT)

Rock Harbor Church
10902 Snow Road
Bakersfield, CA 93314
<http://www.rockharborchurch.net>

Military Honors

APR 8. 2:00 PM (PT)

Bakersfield National Cemetery
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Arvin, CA 93203
(661) 867-2250

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