



Harold Almyron Eggleston

August 30, 1932 - October 19, 2021

Harold “Hal” Almyron Eggleston went home to be with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on Tuesday, October 19, 2021.

Harold was born on August 30, 1932, to Harold Almyron Sr. and Ione Eggleston in Red Bluff, California. He was the youngest of five children.

Hal joined the United States Marine Corp in 1950 and proudly served as a Sergeant in the Korean War. During the war, Hal injured his left eye as a minesweeper but continued serving through 1954. When Hal was home on leave, he had a chance encounter with Suzanne Pond and was instantly smitten. A whirlwind courtship ended with a lifetime of love and happiness when they were married six months later in 1954.

Hal attended Bakersfield College, where he played for the Renegades football team. Ultimately a football injury caused Hal to lose all his vision in the left eye. This loss only made him more determined to seek higher education. Hal attended UCLA and then graduated from California State University at Fullerton with a degree in Education. He later earned his Master’s of Education from Fresno State and began his 30-year career as a history teacher at South High School in 1964. He retired in 1994 as the last combined Activities and Athletics Director at South High.

Hal and Sue found Jesus together. They were devoted to their church, God, and family. Hal was abundantly blessed yet humble. He was a tenacious worker and servant of The Lord, and he was a proud and supportive father, grandpa and great-grandpa. He belonged to several service organizations and loved singing in the choir at Valley Baptist Church with his beloved wife.

Hal was preceded in death by his parents, siblings, and wife. He is survived by his children, David (Debbie) Eggleston, Perry (Sherry) Eggleston, James (Judy) Eggleston, Mary Higgins, and his many precious grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

The family is grateful for the care provided by the staff at Hoffmann Hospice and The Palms at San Lauren.

Hal would want others to remember John 15:12, words of Jesus, "My command is this: LOVE each other as I have loved you." Also, Colossians 3:16, Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you TEACH and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, SINGing TO GOD WITH GRATITUDE in your hearts."

Services will be at Valley Baptist Church, 4800 Fruitvale Avenue, Bakersfield, CA, in the main sanctuary on Tuesday, November 2, 2021, at 10:00 am. A reception will follow at the church and a graveside service at 2:00 pm, where he will be laid to rest with his beloved wife at Bakersfield National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, please donate to his favorite charity: The Hope Center, 3311 Manor Street, Bakersfield, CA 93308, phone: (661) 399-2119.

Cemetery Details

Bakersfield National Cemetery

30338 E Bear Mountain Blvd
Arvin, CA 93203
(661) 867-2250

Previous Events

Memorial Service

NOV 2. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (PT)

Valley Baptist Church
4800 Fruitvale ave
Bakersfield, CA 93308
<http://www.valleybaptist.org>

Military Honors

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