



POST EVER-LASTING



JOHN G. (Jack) OTTERNESS - 11/8/28 ~ 2/18/08 Our loving and beloved husband, brother, father, grandfather, great grandfather and friend went home to be with the Lord Monday, February 18th, 2008. Jack was born in Morehead. He and his family moved to Ransburg, Ca in 1945. At the age of 16 years old Jack joined the Merchant Marines serving his country in various regions of the world. After completion of his Military duty Jack returned to Ransburg where he then met and married the love of is life Phyllis Dravis.

They celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary on June 7th, 2007. In 1947 Jack and Phyllis moved to Bakersfield. Jack's career in the grocery business moved him and his family to Corona, CA until his retirement from Alpha Beta. Jack and Phyllis returned to Bakersfield where they lived until his passing. He was a proud member of the VFW and American Legion. Jack was known for his love and dedication to family and friends (he never met a stranger) and he lived life to the fullest. He was an avid Corona, Norco High School, and a San Diego Padre Fan where his late grandson Mike Darr was a player. He was preceded in death by parents Del & Lucille Otterness, his son John Otterness, and Grandson Mike Darr. He is survived by his wife Phyllis Otterness, Daughters Dianna & husband Dave Jackson, Lynna & Husband Gary Aberg, Debra & Mike Darr, and Daughter-in-law Valerie Otterness. Jack had 14 grandchildren and 42 great grandchildren and was very close to all of them. In lieu of flowers the family requests donations to be made to Optimal Hospice. Memorial Service will be held February 29th, 4:00pm at St Johns Lutheran Church located 4500 Buena Vista Rd Bakersfield, California.



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