



## Ben Franklin Guess

May 28, 1940 - June 18, 2024

Beloved father, grandfather, great grandfather, cousin, and friend. Ben Franklin Guess was born May 28, 1940 in Shreveport, Louisiana, and passed June 18, 2024. Preceded in death by his parents, siblings, and daughters Bridget Litzuis and Candance Martinez. Survived by daughter Lanette Konrad (Howard), son in laws Michael Otsuji, Robert Martinez, eight grandchildren: Micheal Otsuji, James Martinez (Jessica), Cody Otsuji, Samantha Martinez-Cheaney (Scott), Graeson Topper (Kaitlin), Dañiel Frickey (Brent), and Chloe Otsuji. And four great grandchildren, Alex, Lucas, Kora, and Jack.

Ben was an adventurer. He went into the Navy at age 15 and a half and was on the USS Hornet. He often talked about his experiences and how much he grew up in the 6 years he was in the Navy. The Navy is why he ended up in California where he spent the remainder of his life. He worked at United Airlines for 30 years before he retired at 56 years old. His many adventures were: taking two generations camping, water and snow skiing, working on cars and boat engines, fishing, skydiving, dredging for gold in Alaska, traveling the world, helping an orphanage in Mexico, keeping up with friends from his Union, Elks club (50 years), and mens Saturday Bible study at Menlo Church.

Ben loved his family. He would rarely miss a birthday card for all of our birthdays. Nothing meant more to him than sharing a good meal with friends

and family alike. He will be missed by us all.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks for donations for the following charities:  
Shriners, Saint Jude, Salvation Army and Wounded Warriors

Your contributions are greatly appreciated.

# Previous Events

## Funeral Mass

OCT 4. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (PT)

Menlo Church  
950 Santa Cruz Ave  
Menlo Park, CA 94025

## Reception

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# Tribute Wall

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**Dañiel Frickey** - October 01, 2024 at 10:58 PM



“ *We talk of you often having met you on some of our early trips to Coyote Beach. What a heck of a good time sharing Baja winter with you ! Rest in Peace* ”

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**Jerri Pawson** - August 31, 2024 at 07:40 PM

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*I will miss the phone calls,talking about family,his dog,my hunting,all the stuff friends talk about.*

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**Don Pace** - September 01, 2024 at 02:43 PM



*I met Ben playing golf with PA senior men's golf club. We became good friends, played golf around Carson City over a number of years. We often had breakfast together and then played dominos. Will miss Ben and keep him in my prayers.*

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**John Geibel** - September 02, 2024 at 03:33 PM