

## DONALD JOHNSON

### Obituary

DONALD "LEFTY" JOHNSON 2/13/1926 - 10/22/2013 Donald Marcus Johnson "Lefty" passed on October 22, 2013, at his home in Helendale surrounded by family. He was born on February 13, 1926 in Glendale, CA and moved to Barstow at the age of 10. He attended the Barstow Schools before joining the Navy in February 1944 serving 2 years where he drove a landing craft while serving on the ship Victory. He was involved in the invasion of Guadalcanal. Lefty married Jacqueline Means on June 28, 1947, in Barstow and remained there to raise his family. He was employed by Day & Night Market, Hartwick's Market, and Brubaker/Mann before retiring. His hobbies included playing and watching golf (lots of golf!), woodworking, playing softball at Hobbs Field in Barstow. He was an avid Dodger fan and loved following his families' endeavors. He was a member of Sun n Sky Men's Club and Silver Lakes Men's Club. He was predeceased by Jackie, his wife of 65 years; survived by sons, Don Johnson (Yvonne) of Wrightwood and Mark Johnson of Helendale; 4 Grandchildren, Jaira Johnson McKeown (Damien) of Minden, NV, Jeff Johnson of La Verne, Ryan Johnson (Maryjo) of Helendale, Heather Johnson Grounds (Geoff) of Helendale; and 4 great-grandchildren, Keegan and Bryce Johnson, Cody and Madison Grounds. There will be a Celebration of Lefty's life at 14863 Bluegrass Dr., in Helendale on November 2 between 1 and 4 p.m. A private graveside service will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to: Inland Valley Hospice, 15366 11th St., Suite 0 Victorville, CA 92395

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