



Granton Gary West

October 15, 1944 - October 23, 2013

Granton Gary West, 69, of Corvallis died Oct. 23, 2013, at his home.

He was born on Oct. 15, 1944, in Stettler, Alberta, Canada. His parents were Joseph and Vera West. His family moved to Eugene in 1953 and later moved to Corvallis, where they owned and operated the Corvallis Hotel.

After graduating from Corvallis High School in 1962, he enlisted in the U.S. Navy. Granton married his high school sweetheart, Linda, on Oct. 25, 1963, in Weiser, Idaho. They would have celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary this month.

Granton was a hardworking and very personable man who always was advocating for others. He worked for Oregon State University, State of Oregon General Services and the Oregon Rehabilitation Association. He was an active member of the Corvallis Historic Auto Club, and enjoyed historic cars, tours and swap meets.

Granton was preceded in death by his mother, Vera West; father, Joseph West; and a baby daughter. He is survived by his loving wife, Linda; four children, Kelly (Steve) Mitchell, Carrie (David) Birken, Julie (Jim) Kistner and Gary (Natalie) West; and seven cherished grandchildren, Lindsay, Zach, Rachael, Garrett, Emily, Nicole and Brandon. Granton also is survived by his

sisters Betty Kelly and Caren Elliker. Granton will be deeply missed by all of his family.

In lieu of flowers, the family is suggesting donations be made in Granton's name to the Boy Scouts of America. Granton's life was greatly impacted and influenced by this organization. He was a Sea Scout.

A funeral service will take place at 11 a.m. today, Tuesday, at McHenry Funeral Home in Corvallis.

Tribute Wall



“ *McHenry Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Granton Gary West*



McHenry Funeral Home - October 23, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Here at Oregon Rehabilitation Association, we were sad to hear today about Granton's passing. Our love and prayers are with Linda and family. Years ago our association was looking for someone to build, remodel and manage homes for individuals with disabilities coming out of the institution to live on their own. Granton made it happen! Those homes are still managed under a business model that values service and community over the bottom line. Because of his strength and caring heart, Granton made a difference in the lives of many people through his service to others.*

Marianne Davis for the staff and membership of Oregon Rehabilitation Association

Marianne Davis - December 02, 2013 at 07:37 PM

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“ I hadn't heard until today, and I'm very sorry for your loss. I was another person who knew Granton because of cars, having managed the NAPA in Philomath for several years. I always enjoyed coming out to his shop and looking over whatever project he had going. I feel he also influenced me to go back to school and do more with my life, which is where I'm at now. Goodbye Granton, it was an honor to know you.

Jeff Pierce - October 30, 2013 at 01:36 AM

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“ Sorry to hear of your loss. I considered Granton to be a good friend. I always loved the great stories he would tell, and i too am a classic car nut. It was never a dull moment trying to help him out with the car and van repairs for Oregon rehab. I will miss him greatly!!!!

Rick France (formally Rich from B&R Auto Body)

Rick France - October 29, 2013 at 12:04 PM