



Richard James Taylor

July 8, 1933 - September 3, 2014

Richard James Taylor, 81, passed away Wednesday, September 3, 2014 in Denton, TX. He was born July 8, 1933 in Milltown, WI to Ora and Abbie (Peach) Taylor. Richard married Delores Preussler on June 22, 1957 in Coquille, OR. Richard served in the US Navy. "Dick" raised his family with Delores in Concord, CA where he worked for the Mount Diablo Unified School District as an elementary school principal for 33 years. During this time he was a member of the Walnut Creek Evangelical Church (now named NorthCreek Church) and served as Elder for many of those years. In retirement, Dick and Delores moved to Rocklin, CA, becoming members of Creekside Church, where he again served as Elder for more than 10 years. During this time they were active members in the Springfield senior community in which they lived. He is survived by his wife, Delores, currently living in Denton, TX; two sons, Richard Taylor of Hackensack, NJ, James Taylor of Oak Point, TX; daughter, Deena Williams of Conroe, TX; thirteen grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; four brothers, John Taylor of Fresno, CA, Dave Taylor of Auburn, CA, Dan Taylor of Rocklin, CA, Quentin "Bud" Taylor of Pleasant Hill, CA; sister, Jane and husband Dr. Allen Casebolt of College Station, TX. He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Miles Stapel; three sisters, Priscilla Taylor, Ruth Quast, and Beatrice Miller. A graveside service will be held 11:00AM, Saturday, September 13, 2014 at Oakmont Cemetery, 2099 Relize Valley Road, Lafayette, CA with a memorial service following at 2:00PM at Northcreek Church, 2303 Ygnacio Valley Road,

Walnut Creek, CA. Online condolences may be shared at www.slaymemorialfuneralhome.com. In lieu of flowers, donations to The Richard Taylor Memorial Fund or The Suriname BCM Camp Ministry Center - New Wing may be sent to Bible Centered Ministries International, 201 Granite Run Drive, Suite 260, Lancaster, PA 17601. Arrangements are under the direction of Terri Slay and Slay Memorial Funeral Center, Aubrey, TX and Heritage Oaks Memorial Chapel, Rocklin, CA.

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Tribute Wall



“ To learn of Dick's passing this morning truly hits me hard. I find it difficult to type but will struggle onwards. He was an amazing man of God and memories of me and my family's time together with him will be cherished forever. God Bless each of his family and, as a Christian, I look forward to seeing him again someday in heaven with my parents who were already there to welcome him home.

John Haley Jr - March 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Dick was one of my favorite people. He and I shared some good times regarding our work as elementary principals and Christian men fellowshiping. May God be a source of strength to Delores and family.

Paul Wright - September 09, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ There are special thoughts for Dick's family gently wrapped in prayers.

September 09, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ I will always have such fond memories of you uncle Dick. Love you always. Sabitrie Howell

September 04, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ *We love you all so much, with our deepest sympathy. We look forward to our family reunion in Heaven, miss Uncle Dick already.
Love Calvin & Virginia*

Calvin and Virginia Blake - September 03, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ *This is how we remember our Uncle Dick in our family!*

Calvin and Virginia Blake - September 03, 2014 at 12:00 AM