



## John Garfield Montgomery

April 11, 1927 - January 6, 2024

John Garfield Montgomery was a caring husband, father, grandfather, brother, and friend. He returned to his heavenly home on January 6, 2024, at the age of 96.

John was born to Edward and Mabel Montgomery on April 11, 1927, in Oakland, California. John graduated from Fresno Technical High School in 1944. He then enlisted in the United States Army Air Force, where he received specialized training at the University of Idaho. He served in WWII in the 893rd Air Engineers Squadron. John was very proud of his service to his country.

In John's 96 years, he went on to have many jobs and businesses, and spent 15 years working at the Visalia Senior Center. It was there that he met his wife, Barbara. John loved to fish, and they spent a lot of time on his houseboat at Pine Flat Lake. After retirement, if he wasn't spending time with friends and family, he was everyone's go-to "handyman". He was known for his upbeat and happy personality, his compassion, and for his sincerity. You would never catch him without a smile, a story, or a joke of some kind.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Barbara Montgomery. He is survived by his children, Steven, Craig, Scott, Jan, Boyd, Randy, and Sara, and his many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Memorial services will be held at 1:00 PM on Sunday, April 7, 2024, at Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel, 127 E. Caldwell Ave. Visalia, CA 93277.

The family graciously declines flowers and donations, but prayers for the surviving family are appreciated.

Services have been entrusted to Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel. Memorial Tributes and condolences may be offered by logging onto [www.salseranddillard.com](http://www.salseranddillard.com).

# Previous Events

## Memorial

APR 7. 1:00 PM (PT)

Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel  
127 East Caldwell  
Visalia, CA 93277

# Tribute Wall



“ *Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel created a Webcast in memory of John Garfield Montgomery*



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**Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel** - April 05, 2024 at 10:54 AM

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“ *My sister Cindy and I always called him John John, he was my parents best friend and was loved by all, we had great times with him at our cabin in Shaver lake..The last time I saw him was at my moms funeral. he will be missed.*

*love Lori Hunt Rice*

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**Lori Hunt Rice** - July 30, 2024 at 04:32 PM