



## Kenneth Leon Bancroft

August 3, 1937 - August 5, 2019

Kenneth L. Bancroft

Ken Bancroft died on August 5, 2019, two days after his 82nd birthday. He was a lifelong resident of Visalia and graduated from Mt. Whitney High School in 1956. He was preceded in death by his parents, Louie and Rose Bancroft from Oakland and Oklahoma, respectively. He was also preceded in death by his sister, Gwen McLaughlin and his grandson, Angel Portillo, Jr. Ken married Hazel (Von) in 1979, and they enjoyed 40 years of marriage at their ranch in Visalia, farming citrus and other row crops. Ken also worked for Real Fresh for 28 years while farming his own land. Ken had two sons: Louie Bancroft of Oregon and Michael Bancroft (Robin) of Visalia, and three step-children: Dennis and Julie Scaife of Tulare, Gail Scaife and David of Tulare, and Bert and Tracy Scaife of Visalia. He is also survived by his nephew Larry McLaughlin and niece Kathleen Madruga of Visalia. He had seven grandchildren and fourteen great grandchildren whom he loved to entertain at his ranch for weekends full of outdoor country fun, the kind that so many of our children today will never know. Ken set the bar high with his example of hard work and responsibility as a means to provide for his family, and loved nothing more than his lifelong practice of doing so.

There will be a celebration of life at the Lamp Lighter Inn on August 17, 2019, for friends and family. Our family would like to express our gratitude to Ken

and Hazel's kind and compassionate family for caring for them through the end of Ken's life and through hospice. In lieu of flowers, we ask that donations be made to the Kindred Hospice Foundation of Atlanta, Georgia in Ken's memory.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Mike And Tina Sharp sent a virtual gift in memory of Kenneth Leon Bancroft*



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**Mike and Tina Sharp** - August 14, 2019 at 11:15 AM