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Donald Edwin Roberts, 88, of Santa Clara, UT, passed away on May 22, 2025, in Ivins, UT.

Don was born on May 28, 1936, in Colfax, WA, to Alice and Edwin Roberts. He spent his early years on a farmstead in the wheat-rich heart of Whitman County and graduated from Colfax High, where he was a proud athlete—boxing, wrestling, and playing football with the same intensity he brought to the rest of his life.

He went on to serve in the U.S. Marine Corps as a radio communicator during the Vietnam War, and remained especially proud of his service with 1st Reconnaissance Battalion of the 7th Marine Regiment. After returning stateside, Don—known as “Robbie” to his fellow Marines—continued his service as an alcohol rehabilitation counselor. He remained active in Alcoholics Anonymous for the rest of his life.

Near the end of his military service, Don met a beautiful blonde at the Long Beach Naval Hospital, and that was that. He married Carol Ann Noe in 1974.

Don never really slowed down. He found a second career with the Santa Clara Fire Department and remained a force of life well into retirement. He was an early riser, a daily jogger, and a lifelong learner with a love of photography and western novels. He loved his wool plaid shirts, big belt buckles, leather boots, and anything Tex-Mex.

Don and Carol toured the country in their 5th wheel, especially enjoying Camp Pendleton and Ocean Shores, WA. They made homes in California, Oregon, and Arizona before settling in Santa Clara, where they were blessed by the kindness of many friends and neighbors through their later years.

Don is preceded in death by his brother James Kenneth Roberts, sister Elizabeth Ann Roberts, and beloved wife Carol Ann Noe Roberts. He is survived by his daughter and son-in-law, Kathleen & Greg Langston, two grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren. He will be dearly missed.

Graveside services will be held Saturday, June 7, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. at the Santa Clara City Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Serenity Funeral Home of Southern Utah, 435-986-9100.

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JUN 7. 10:00 AM (MT)

Santa Clara City Cemetery
3900 Ancestor Way
Santa Clara, UT

Tribute Wall

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“ *Krystle Lake purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Donald Edwin Roberts.*



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