

Dean Edward Perkins

1929 - 2017



Dean Edward Perkins, 88, passed away on September 6, 2017, in Boise, ID after a short battle with cancer. Dean was born July 14, 1929, in Cambridge, ID to Orvil and Mary (Hutchison) Perkins. The family lived in the Midvale, ID area where he rode saddle horses back and forth from home to the Sweet Home School and later graduated from Midvale High School in 1947. He married Betty Armacost in 1950 and they had two children, Marvin and Shawna. He was a race horse trainer for many years at tracks in the northwest. He later moved to California and worked for various trucking companies as a semi-truck driver and dispatcher. He drove semi-trucks well into his 80's.

In 1976, he married Candy Rudd Kuncel and lived in Hayward, CA until her death in 2010. After suffering a stroke in 2014, he returned to Idaho to be near

family.

His true passions were horse racing and Senior Softball. He played very important roles for the Northern California Senior Softball Association managing teams, umpiring, running tournaments, and serving on the NCSA Board many years. In 2006, he was inducted into the National Senior Softball Hall of Fame and is among the greats that have ever played the game. He also was inducted into the NCSA Hall of Fame in 2008.

Dean is survived by his son Marvin Perkins (Ginger Sphar) of Jordan Valley, OR, daughter Shawna Ianson (Bob) of Boise, ID, Grandson Levi Harrison (Julia) of Cambridge, ID, Granddaughter Jodi Perkins (Ty Garrett) of Star, ID and several racetracks, and Great Grandchildren, Keiland Dodd and Hope Harrison. Dean was preceded in death by his parents, Orvil and Mary Perkins, brothers Frank and Herman Perkins, sister Beulah Clelland, Granddaughter Bailey (Perkins) Dodd, and Wife Candy.

The family would like to give thanks to the staff and owner of Immani House and Harrison's Hope Hospice for their help and comfort given to Dean during his final days.

Services will be held at the Church of Christ in Midvale, Idaho, on September 18, 2017, at 2:00 p.m. followed by a graveside service at the Midvale Eastside Cemetery.