



Raymond Joseph Ross

February 16, 1927 - December 22, 2013

Raymond Joseph Ross (U.S.N. Retired)

Raymond "Ray" Joseph Ross, 86, Transferred to the Staff of the Supreme Commander on Sunday, December 22, 2013 in Indio, California. He was born February 16, 1927 in Slippery Rock, Pennsylvania. He was retired from the United States Navy and from the Boilermakers Union.

He was preceded in death by his parents Carl and Alice Ross, brothers Dean C. and Kenneth W. Ross and a nephew Kenneth T. Ross.

Surviving are his wife, Nellie M. Ross, Nephew Raymond R. (Nadine) Ross, Nieces Carolyn Tempel, Judy (Larry) Adams and many more nieces and nephews.

Member and past president - American Legion; Member AMMV - Golden Gate Chapter; member LSM/LSMR512R; Member USS Pictor AF54; Life Member USS Sierra AD18; Life Member USS English DD696; Life Member USS Navarro APA215; Life Member: Tin Can Sailors; Life Member VFW Post 14000; 50 year Life Member and past president Fleet Reserve Assn Branch 48, San Francisco, California; Life Member and Plank Owner USS Brownson DD868.

He was honored to be serving in USS Brownson DD868 when she accompanied Admiral Byrd on his expedition to the South Pole. He was water exercise class instructor at Desert Crest Country Club for many years.

He was always interested in the old Navy tradition of Knot tying and had made many many Knot Boards, some for interests as far away as Lichtenstein and Diego Garcia.

God Saw you getting tired
and a cure was not to be,
So He put His arms around you
and whispered, "Come with Me"
With tearful eyes, we watched you
suffer and saw you fading away.
Although we loved you dearly,
We could not make you stay.
A golden heart stopped beating;
Hard working hands at rest.
God broke my heart to prove
He only takes the best.

Burial will be at sea by the United States Navy.

In lieu of flowers, please remember your favorite charity.

Tribute Wall



“ *Raymond Joseph Ross*

October 05, 2023 at 09:38 PM



“ *In loving memory to a great freind & awesome man. He will be greatly missed!*

Vada Yearsley - January 03, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *I have so many great memories of my Uncle Ray. From my first hard hat to dancing lady tattoos. He always brought a smile to my face. I am honored to have a knot board that he made for me and will cherish it always. I will miss you and love you always. I will see you again one day.*

Laura McCullen - December 31, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *Ray taught me my knots and how to weave a rope and to make a loop in a rope which I use on a daily bases at work .thank you Ray you will be missed*

Larry M. Kern - December 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM