



## Robert Douglas Vert

November 8, 1925 - January 3, 2018

Robert Douglas Vert was born in Compton, California on November 8th, 1925. He spent his youth playing baseball with his pal Duke Snider. At 17, in 1943, he joined the Navy where he boarded a Destroyer headed for the South Pacific to meet up with Admiral "Bull" Halsey. Bob's job was to fire a big gun in the Main Battery Directory. He was in eleven major battles. After he was discharged in 1946 he enrolled in Pepperdine University graduating with a degree in education. In 1949 Bob was hired as a junior high teacher in Coalinga, California. That same year he met the woman he would love and spend the rest of his life with, Wanda. They were married in 1952. Bob and Wanda had two children, Douglas MacRae and Kimberlee Marie. Over the years he was a teacher, a counselor, a vice principal, a principal and retired in 1985 as Superintendent. Bob was a life member of Coalinga Elks Lodge 1613 and had the honor of being the secretary to Donald Depelo, the Grand Exalted Ruler (1988-1989). Bob and Wanda loved to travel and went to many countries all over the world. They found a love for cruise ships, Bob loved being on the ocean. On their travels a young man once said to them "I look and you and I don't see old.....I see love". Bob's family was his life. He stayed so involved that he was a substitute teacher occasionally to his grandkids. Bob is survived by their son and daughter, spouses plus 4 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren. A memorial service will be held Sunday, January 7, 2018 at Salser and Dillard Funeral Chapel at 12 noon. Memorial Tributes can be offered by logging onto [www.salseranddillard.com](http://www.salseranddillard.com).

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Shannon J Werling lit a candle in memory of Robert Douglas Vert*



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