

Waldo Virgil Taylor

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Waldo Virgil Taylor, 78, of Crescent City, CA, passed away on Feb 19, 2021 at Addie Meedom House.

Waldo Virgil Taylor aka Wally was born October 11th, 1942 in Forest Hills, Kentucky to Ettice and Virgil Taylor. He was one of twelve children with 3 brothers and 8 sisters.

Wally was always a good student throughout grade school he had straight A's. He attended Belfry high school in Belfry, KY where he was at the top of his class academically. After high school he attended Beria college for a semester.

Wally's college career was put on hold while he joined the U.S Navy from 1961-1965. His ship came to shore in San Francisco, California and he met a Japanese woman whose name was Karen Shiraishi. He later married her in San Francisco on/about 1965. On October 13th, 1966 he had his only child Wesley C. Taylor born in Long Beach, CA.

Wally's civilian work career began with GE in 1966 and went to 1969 in Downey, CA. He was also attending Cal State Fullerton while working for GE. In 1970, Wally moved to Bellingham, WA where he attended

Western Washington University to finalize his Masters Degree in Business Administration. After graduating he moved back to Los Angeles metropolitan area in 1972 and began working for Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) in Glendale, CA for about 4 years. In 1976, he moved to Detroit, MI to work for Ford Motor Company as a manager for the aerospace division. He only worked there for about two years and choose to spend more time with his son in sporting events and practices so, he quit his job. He asked his son “where do you want to move to?” He said Crescent City, CA, a place where Wally once had a family vacation. As a result, in 1978 he moved to Crescent City and has lived there ever since.

Wally worked at the Redwood School for twenty years as an elementary school teacher and taught hundreds of students from Del Norte County. After retirement, he spent most of his time watching his grandchildren Collin, Zackary and Gianna play sports and attend school functions. His other hobby was to go to the coffee shop and hang out with his friends.

He is survived by son Wes (Linda) Taylor, grandchildren Collin, Zackary and Gianna. His brothers Allen & Jerry Lee and sisters Bonnie and Nan.