



Lelan Tearle Sparks

August 27, 1928 - February 26, 2021

Lelan Tearle Sparks was born August 27, 1928 in Ladoga, Iowa where he was raised on a farm. He was the son of the late Carl Kenneth Sparks and Florence Eva Sparks. He was the husband of the late Rae B. Sparks. He is survived by his son and daughter-in-law Willie and Liz, his daughter and son-in-law Carla and Ken, his brother Jerry and sister Linda. He was “grampa” to Kenny, Aubrey, Monica, Bryan, Bethany and Samantha and great grampa to Lelan, Keilani, Logan, Alessandro and Kalena. He loved animals especially his dog Bruno who he is also survived by. Kua and Hanu were special dogs to him too. If you see fit, please make a contribution to the San Francisco SPCA or your local shelter in Lelan’s honor.

Lelan was very proud to join the army and served during the Korean War. He had a profound love for airplanes which started at a very young age and it led to a lifelong passion for flying.

Lelan loved to travel and visited many countries like Russia, Australia, Costa Rica, Philippines, Greece and many more. He was an avid reader. One of his favorite quotes was “I cannot live without books” by Thomas Jefferson. Lelan was known to many as “MR. FIX It” because he was able to repair just about anything.

Lelan will be sorely missed by many including his wife’s family, his family in Iowa and his local friends at Stern Grove Park in San Francisco.

In observance of pandemic regulations, space for viewing is limited. To keep everyone safe, we are asking that those who want to come pay their respects to please sign up for 1 of the 2 available time slots on Sunday March 7. Text 415-652-9539 with your name, # of people in your party, and whether you would like the 10am - 11am slot or the 11am - 12pm slot on Sunday March 7.

Otherwise everyone is welcome to social distance themselves at the burial at 1pm.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Skylawn Funeral Home & Memorial Park, Hwy 92 at Skyline Blvd., San Mateo, CA 94402

To ensure the health and safety of our community, we are following all guidelines set by local, state and CDC officials. If you are planning on attending a service, please contact

the funeral home in advance, so that we can plan accordingly.

Cemetery

Events

Skylawn Funeral Home & Memorial

Park

100 Lifemark Rd

San Mateo, CA, 94062-4592

MAR 7 Viewing 10:00AM - 12:00PM

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Hwy 92 at Skyline Blvd., San Mateo, CA, US,
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MAR 7 Rosary 12:00PM - 12:30PM

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MAR 7 Burial Service 01:00PM - 02:00PM

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Skylawn Memorial Park

Hwy 92 at Skyline Blvd., San Mateo, CA, US,
94402

Comments



“ Loved Uncle Lee and will miss him dearly. Wish I could be there in person with the family. Condolences and prayers. Chantell Peterson



Chantell Peterson - March 07 at 10:38 AM



“ Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of Lelan Tearle Sparks.



March 06 at 01:47 AM



“ Josie and Wanda purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Lelan Tearle Sparks.



Josie and Wanda - March 05 at 11:33 AM



“ I am truly sorry for your loss. I would like to offer you and your family my deepest and most sincere condolences and may the soul of your father rest in peace.

Love,
Wanda

wanda carinio - March 04 at 09:04 PM



“ Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Lelan Tearle Sparks.



March 04 at 08:10 PM



“ Hello Carla and Willie, I am so sad to hear that your Dad passed away. Please accept my sincerest condolences. I am sure he is watching us from heaven right now, he was so loving and kind to everyone. I was my honor to have known him. God bless you all!

Nini and Christine Viduya

Nini Viduya - March 04 at 07:14 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Lelan Tearle Sparks.



March 03 at 07:14 PM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Lelan Tearle Sparks.



March 03 at 04:25 PM