

Fremont Walter Merewether 1910-2001



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Fremont W. 'Monty'
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Fremont W. "Monty" Merewether, 91, passed away Saturday, Sept. 29, 2001, at his home in Ojai.

Fremont moved to Ojai from Beaverton, Ore., in 1994 to be close to his California family. He loved the beauty of Ojai and to him it was "heaven on earth."

Fremont was born in Portland, Ore., in 1910 and graduated from Oregon State in Corvallis with a degree in forestry. He worked for the U.S. Department of Interior, Bureau of Land Management, as a lands and minerals officer in Colorado and at offices in Portland, Ore., and Spokane, Wash.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mildred Louise (nee Ranadell) in 1991, after 53 years of marriage.

Fremont is survived by his seven great-grandchildren; son and daughter-in-law, Michael Lee and Loretta Merewether of Ventura and their children, Lorrie Rutkowski, Lee Anne Niroomand, Aimee Reaves and Scott "Ted" Merewether; daughter, Kathleen Marie Merewether of Kirkland, Wash.; daughter, Elisabeth Barooni of Denver, Colo.; son, Don McDaniel of Kirkland; and daughter, Jean Louise Triner (husband, Jim) of Cleveland, Ohio.

Fremont was a gentle, caring and loving man who was admired and loved by his family and those around him. He loved the beauty of nature, good music and family. He will be greatly missed.

A memorial service will be held in Ojai at the end of October. Details will be announced later.

Donations, in lieu of flowers, may be made to any charity that supports children, music or promotes peace.

Funeral arrangements are under the care of the Charles Carroll Funeral Home, Ventura.