



## Clifford Filbert

May 12, 1932 - February 27, 2012

Funeral services for Clifford William Filbert, 79 of Hewitt, were held at 2:00 PM on Friday, March 9, 2012 at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Hewitt with Pastor Blake Rickbeil presiding. Clifford met his Lord on Monday, February 27, 2012 in Stockton, California. Clifford was born in Leavenworth, Kansas on May 12, 1932 to Clifford and Mildred (Scherer) Filbert. He attended schools in Kansas, Oklahoma and California. Upon leaving high school he joined the United States Air Force where he served twenty years, which included two major conflicts, the Korean and Vietnam wars. His assignments also encompassed Okinawa, Japan, Germany, Saudi Arabia & Thailand. He retired as a Senior Master Sergeant – First Sergeant. Upon retiring from the Air Force in 1971, he was employed by the U. S. Army and served another twenty years as a Civil Servant with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Sacramento, California; U.S. Army Supply Depots at Sacramento & Stockton; and Department of Defense West Coast Regional Distribution Center, Stockton. He retired in 1991. In 1989, prior to retiring, Clifford ventured to visit Minnesota with wife Valerie, a native of St. Cloud, found their farm in Hewitt and retired to Minnesota in 1993. Clifford was an active member of the Trinity Lutheran Church in Hewitt and participated as an elder and congregational president. He also served four years on Hewitt's City Council and again four years as the Mayor of Hewitt until his health began to wane. His hobbies were farming, keeping cows off the road, fishing (when wife threatened), deer hunting and his passion – bear hunting. An accomplished artist and cartoonist, he contributed

some of his work under the title "THE BACKSIDE" by Filbert to The Independent News Herald for several years. Clifford was preceded in death by his parents Clifford and Mildred Filbert, sister Betty Jean Filbert, sister-in-law Cathy Filbert, and daughter Kelly Lynn Filbert. He is survived by his wife Valerie; sons Michael (Mary) Filbert of San Diego; Kevin (Gail) Filbert of Sacramento; Matthew Wayne Filbert of Sacramento; and Patrick Neal Filbert of Sacramento; daughter Theresa (Jim) Johnson of Sacramento; step-sons Jim (Donna) Havens of Fair Oaks, California; Randy (Rhonda) Havens of Fairbanks, Alaska; and David (Karen) Havens, Stockton; step-daughters Dawn Havens of Lake Tahoe, Nevada; and Allycia (Richard) Williams of Stockton; 30 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren; and brother Carl Filbert of Fairfield, California. Burial was held in the Sylvan Cemetery at Citrus Heights, California following the services in Minnesota.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Valerie,  
Our sincere sympathies to you and your families at this sad time.  
We're very sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with  
you.

God bless ...

Susan

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**Susan (Mickelson) Knight** - February 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ Val, I am so sorry for your loss. I met Cliff once, such a very nice  
man and one who will be truly missed.

Laura

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**Laura (Chandler) Tippett** - February 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM