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Friday, Mar. 9, 2018  
9:00 AM - 9:45 AM

The Church of Jesus  
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# Carmen Dean Pinkston

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Carmen Dean Pinkston

Peoria - Carmen Dean Pinkston, Pinky, passed away peacefully from this life on March 2, 2018 in Peoria, Az. Carmen was born July 18, 1920 at the Erickson homestead of Moscow, Idaho, to William A. Pinkston and Gertrude Camille Erickson. Carmen's father took off when he was 2 years old. His mother passed away when Carmen was 12 years old. Carmen then went to live with his Aunt Iva, Uncle Henry and his brother Bill Shawver for a time. Carmen graduated from Zilla High School in 1938. He played pro baseball before and after WWII. As a matter of fact he joined the Marines to play ball for Uncle Sam in Hawaii. However, baseball season had just ended, so he was trained as an aerial photographer. On Dec. 7, 1941 the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor. Carmen is a Pearl Harbor survivor! He saw action in Guadalcanal. Upon returning to the states he was stationed at El Toro Marine base, once again playing ball for Uncle Sam. There he met his wife, Francine Goodman, on a blind date. They were married 6 week later on Sept. 24, 1944. They were married for 65 years until Francine's passing in June 2010. Their youngest daughter, Diane, passed away the following June, 2011. Carmen is survived by his daughters, Karen Barnett and Patricia Hicks, 22 grandchildren and 60 great-grandchildren. Carmen retired from the Boiler Maker Union in 1985. As a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, he held many leadership callings, but his favorite calling was a dedicated home teacher, and he was always a 'member missionary', by word, action and example. Carmen was a loving husband and wonderful father. He was no stranger to helping around the house. He would make his famous stew or chili, but his apple pie was out of this world! He always planted and grew a large vegetable garden. He had horses that he and Francine rode all over the Hesperia, Ca desert. As he said many times of himself, 'he was a jack of all trades and master of none', but he did master his love of the Lord and his fellowman. A viewing will be held March 9th from 9-9:40 am at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints at 22034 N. 83rd Ave. Peoria, AZ with funeral services at 10:00 am. Interment will be March 12th at 12:30 pm at National Memorial Cemetery of AZ.

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