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COLLIER, Joseph Kenneth, 84, died at Eden Hospital in Castro Valley on January 6, 2013, after suffering a major stroke on January 1, 2013. He leaves behind his second wife, Esther Collier; his son, Joseph Collier II of San Jose; his daughter, Linda Roberts of Acampo; their spouses, Deidre Collier and Vern Roberts; Linda's children – Vern, Jr., Jason, Daniel, Maria, and Matthew; Joe's children – Stephen, Ruth and Joann; and his wife's daughter, Deborah Parks, and her husband, Michael, and their two girls – Rachel and Alana. His great-grandchildren will also miss him very much – Tyler, Jessica, Elijah, Isaac, Aurora, Madelyn, Eligh; his daughter's foster children (many in the past), but now, Janise, Janessa and a brand-new baby. Joe was very active in the community as a member or officer of the American Legion; San Leandro High Boosters; San Leandro Planning Commission; Floresta Homeowners Association; Alameda County Parks, Recreation and Historical Commission; Alameda County Transportation Advisory Committee; California State Sheriff's Association; The 100 Club of Alameda County; San Leandro Babe Ruth Baseball League; James Monroe DADS Club; Floresta Baseball League; Teamsters Union; Butchers Union; and he was serving as a San Leandro RSVP Police Volunteer at the time of his death. He received many awards during his lifetime from the California State PTA — an Honorary Service Award; and from the City of San Leandro — several commendations for service. Joe worked for over 40 years as a wholesale meat salesman; and, after he retired from that in 1993, he worked at Faria Brothers Hardware until it closed in December 2005. He also worked on many people's well pumps and various handyman projects all throughout the 57 years he lived in San Leandro. Joe also ran for City Council in 1990; he kept score for over 30 years at all of San Leandro High School home football games; he videoed many games when his children were in school with a Super 8 camera; he was married to Sylvia for 55 years (she predeceased him in 2004); he married Esther in 2006. He was an Air Force veteran who served during the Korean Conflict. A memorial service will be held at Hilltop Community Church in Richmond where he was a member. The service will be at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 19, with a buffet afterward in the fellowship hall. If you wish to make a donation, Joe's favorite charities were Davis Street Family Resource Center at 3081 Teagarden Street, San Leandro, CA 94577; and the San Leandro Sports Foundation, which can be reached at 2200 Bancroft Avenue c/o the high school in San Leandro, CA 94577. For more information, please see his website at josephkcollier.com.

FREITAS, Gilbert "Gil," a longtime San Leandro resident known to all his friends and family as "Gil," passed away peacefully on January 10, 2013, at the age of 88. He was an avid fisherman, a great golfer, enjoyed gardening, and liked to make custom whirly-gigs for his friends and neighbors. He served in the Navy during WWII on the USS Richmond (CL9). He retired from the Sheet Metal Workers Union Local 104 with 39 years in 1985. He was preceded in death by his loving wife of 21 years, JoJo, as well as his daughter, Karen McNicholas. Gil is survived by his son, James McNicholas, and his wife, Kari; son, Gil Jr., and his ex-wife Loreen; son, Michael, and daughter Melody; and 7 grandchildren, Daniel, Jessica, Rachel, Nicholas, Shawn, Christopher and Collin. He will be dearly missed by all who knew him. A celebration of Gil's life, including Military Honors, will take place at Santos-Robinson Mortuary, 160 Estudillo Ave., in San Leandro on Saturday, Jan. 26, at 10:30 a.m. with a wake to follow.

GARELLO, Chelso, of San Lorenzo, passed away on Sunday, January 13, 2013. He was 87.

GRIMES, Frederick "Fred" Arthur, died peacefully in his sleep on January 12, 2013. He was almost 92 years old. Fred was born on March 23, 1921. His early years were rough during the depression. His life improved, when, as a teenager, he got to work for a Congressman and got to be a Page in Washington D.C. During World War II, Fred joined the Merchant Marines and served in the U.S. Navy in both the European and Pacific Theaters. He achieved the rank of Lt. Commander. Back home, Fred put the engineering skills he learned at sea to good use as a

hospital engineer for Stanford Hospital and then as Chief Engineer at Eden Hospital. Fred later became a property manager for a large high rise in downtown San Francisco. He enjoyed his career in the city and retired late at age 70. In 1951, Fred married the love of his life, the late Margery Gehre-Grimes. They remained together for almost 60 years, until her death in 2010. They had two daughters, Linda and Lorie. Fred loved taking his family on vacations to Lake Tahoe and Yosemite, and he also loved taking them out to classic restaurants in San Francisco, like Vanessi's, Tadich's and Sam's. He loved sports and would sometimes even root for the Raiders. He was a member of Sequoyah Golf in Oakland for decades, and got three holes in one. He relished a good political argument. He also loved New York City and German Sheppards. Most of all, Fred loved his family. He was often called "Granpa" or "Papa" and was the adopted second dad to many family friends. He was a great provider and protector, and extremely generous. He was the best husband, father and grandfather anyone could ever hope for. Fred is survived by his daughters, Linda Grimes and Lorie Grimes-Beall; and 2 granddaughters, Sara Grimes and Rachel Beall. Arrangements made by Santos-Robinson Mortuary in San Leandro (510-483-0123, www.santos-robinson.com).

GROSS, Walter J., *July 9, 1914 – January 8, 2013 • Resident of San Leandro,* Born in Minneapolis, Minnesota, Walter grew up in Mason City, Iowa and moved to San Leandro with his wife, Anna, and children in 1942. He was a resident of Carlton Plaza for the past eight years. Walter is survived by his loving daughter, Barbara Robinson (Leroy); daughter-in-law, Lucille Hesseltine; 6 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; 5 great-great grandchildren; many nieces and nephews; and the families of Angeline (Celt) Gross and Alice Gonsalves. He is preceeded in death by Anna (Brown-Hesseltine) Gross, wife of 37 years; Angeline (Celt) Gross, wife of 18 years; Alice Gonsalves, fiance; and step-son Vernon Hesseltine. Thank you to all his friends, and staff and care-givers at Carlton Plaza, Valley Pointe SNF and Vitas Hospice. Services will be held on Thursday, Jan 17. Visitation is from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. at Grissom's Mortuary, 267 E. Lewelling Blvd., in San Lorenzo, followed by a funeral mass at St. John's Catholic Church (across the street) at 11 a.m. Burial will follow at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Hayward. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to the charity of your choice. Arrangements made by Grissom's Mortuary (510-278-2800, grissomsmortuary.com).

JONES, George Francis, of San Leandro passed away on January 11, 2013, at age 90. He was born June 24, 1922 in San Jose. He served in the Navy during WWII. He married Gertrude Muehlhauser on May 1, 1949. They had two children and were married for 57 years. In 1951, he co-founded with his longtime friend, Alan M. Day, Humboldt Instrument Company in San Leandro. He is preceded in death by his wife, Gertrude Jones. He is survived by his son, Dennis Jones, and his wife, Jane, of Utah; daughter, Barbara Olson, and her husband, Keith, of Livermore; 10 grandchildren; and 21 great-grandchildren. Services will be held Wednesday, Jan. 16, at 1 p.m. at San Leandro Funeral Home, 407 Estudillo, in San Leandro, followed by a reception at Vila Cereja, 1045 Mac Arthur Blvd., in San Leandro, with a viewing on Tuesday, Jan. 15, from 3 to 7 p.m. In lieu of flowers, you may make a donation in his honor to your favorite charity.

MILHOUSE, Gary N., formerly of San Leandro, passed away on Saturday, January 5, 2013 at age 60, after a brave fight with lung cancer. A 1969 graduate of San Leandro High School, Mr. Milhouse had been living in Fairfield. Services were held Jan. 14 at Santos-Robinson Mortuary, 160 Estudillo Ave., San Leandro with a military burial on Tuesday at theSacramento Valley National Cemetary in Dixon.

MULKY, Joyce, of San Leandro, passed away on Thursday, January 10, 2013 at age 87. Services were held Wednesday, January 16 at Chapel of the Chimes in Hayward.

PIMENTEL, Melvin, of San Leandro, passed away in Hayward following a long illness. Born in Taunton, Massachusetts in 1952, Mr. Pimentel was in the Royal Airs Drum and Bugle Corps horn section for 3 years and he also served in the Air Force. Memorial services will be held at Santos-Robinson, Mortuary, 160 Estudillo Avenue, San Leandro, at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Jan 19.

SOVULEWSKI, Michael Rider, of San Leandro passed on January 15, 2013. Viewing will be on Saturday, Jan. 19, from 12 noon to 8 p.m. at Santos-Robinson Mortuary, 160 Estudillo Ave., in San Leandro. Interment private.

SUM, Phoebe, of San Leandro, passed away at her home on Saturday, December 22, 2012, at age 93. A native of Oakland, she attended Lincoln Elementary, Westlake Junior High, and

graduated from Oakland Tech. Mrs. Sum was a member of the “Sink or Swim” ladies club. She requested no funeral services.

TURNER, Diana Lynn (Hamre), succumbed to a long battle with cancer December 30, 2012. Diana was born November 2, 1960 in San Francisco, and grew up in the San Francisco Bay Area, graduating from Pacific High School in San Leandro in 1978. Diana resided in Colville, Washington since 2003. She is survived by her husband, Eric Turner, and daughter, Meagan, of Colville, Washington; her son, Jason Smith of Spokane, Washington; her mother, Dixie Dunham; and her sisters, Deborah Fowler and Dawn Baffone. She is preceded in death by her father, Robert Hamre, USCG. A celebration of Diana’s life will be held at a later date.