

## Obituary for Orlando Rossetti



Orlando “Tedi”; (nickname given him by his dad) Rossetti age 87 of Raton, NM, passed away Thursday, November 12, 2015 in Raton. He was born June 20, 1928 in Dawson, NM, the son of Nickola and Francis Ameijeiras-Rossetti. Tedi moved to Raton at the age of two, and attended both Raton Catholic School/St. Pats (1st, 5th-6th grade) and Longfellow Elementary School (2nd-4th grade).

As a 1947 Graduate of Raton High School, Tedi lettered three years in both football and basketball. Tedi was most proud of the 1947 basketball team which won the district championship and still holds the record for most wins in Raton High School history. The 1947 team won twenty eight out of thirty games, eventually losing to Carlsbad, NM in the 1947 state championship game.

As a student at Raton High, Tedi held various jobs including working the paddock at La Mesa Park in 1946 when the horse track first opened. After graduating high school, Tedi left Raton to work in the West Texas oil fields.

On February 16, 1948 Tedi married Joyce McCormick, (his high school sweetheart). Tedi continued to work for Superior Oil of Midland Texas from 1947 thru 1958. Being a strong family man Tedi left the oil fields, because of the constant up-rooting of his family that was associated with the job; and moved his family home to Raton where he worked for the State Highway Department. In 1965, Tedi went to work for Wonder Bread and eventually retired in 1988. Tedi is a member of the Raton Elks Lodge, and is a fourth degree Knight with the Raton Knight of Columbus.

Preceded in death by his parents, brother John Rossetti, sisters, Mary Rossetti and Angie Torrez, infant daughter, Rennie and son-in-law David Floyd, Tedi is survived by his wife of 67 years Joyce, and six children; Alandra Sue Floyd of Raton, NM, Ronnie Lee Rossetti and wife Carolyn of Arvada, CO, Debbie Marie Vigil and husband Joe of Pueblo, CO, Julie Osborn and husband Gerald of Raton, NM, John Anthony Rossetti and wife Annette of Pingree Grove, IL, Richard Kip Rossetti and wife Sandra of San Diego, CA, Twenty-three grandchildren and thirty great grandchildren

Visitation will be Thursday November 19, 2015 from 2:00 P.M. until 4:00 P.M. at the Yaksich-Long Funeral Home in Raton.

Recitation of the Most Holy Rosary will be Friday November 20, 2015 at 9:30 A.M. at St. Patrick's-St. Joseph's Catholic Church recited by the Knights of Columbus, Mass of the resurrection will follow at 10:00 A.M. with Father John Trambley as the celebrant. The rite of Christian Burial will be in the Mt. Calvary Cemetery in Raton and a reception will follow at the church hall.

In lieu of flowers please donate to St. Jude's Children Hospital. Arrangements and celebration of love for Orlando "Tedi" Rossetti are under the direction of the Yaksich-Long Funeral Home of Raton