



## Kayo Hernandez

November 4, 1929 - February 22, 2015

Funeral Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated for KAYO V. HERNANDEZ, 85, at 10:30am on Wednesday, February 25, 2015 at St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Guernsey, Wyoming with Father Drew Duncan officiating. Burial with military honors will follow in the Prairie Rest Cemetery in Guernsey. Kayo died at his home on February 22, 2015. A Rosary/Wake will be recited at 10am prior to the mass. Memorials may be made to the Guernsey Library, St. Anthony's Catholic Church, or the donor's choice. Visitation will be Tuesday, February 24th from 3pm to 5pm at the funeral home in Torrington and the casket will be closed at the church. Arrangements are under the direction of the Colyer Funeral Home and friends may send condolences to the family at [www.colyerfuneralhome.com](http://www.colyerfuneralhome.com).

Kayo was born November 4, 1929 in Frederick, Oklahoma the son of Calletano and Petra (Velardez) Hernandez and moved to Torrington, Wyoming in 1940 and then to Guernsey, Wyoming in 1976. On February 5, 1952 he went to work for the Wyoming National Guard at Camp Guernsey where he was employed for thirty-three years until he retired November 31, 1985. He then worked for the State of Wyoming in Camp Guernsey at the Ammunition Supply Point as a security guard for seven years until he retired in 1992. On November 3, 1986 he married Maureen Sterling and they made their home in Guernsey. He was a member of the Wyoming National Guard for forty-two years until he retired on November 4, 1990.

Kayo was a member of the Wyoming National Guard shooting team, composite pistol and rifle teams, the combat pistol and rifle teams, and also the light machine gun team. He was an NRA life member, a past member of the Guernsey Volunteer Fire Department, a member of St Anthony's Catholic Church, and a 4th Degree Knight of Columbus Council #3551.

Kayo is survived by his wife Maureen of Guernsey, Wyoming; daughters Jeanne Gilbert of Westminster, Colorado, Marguerite Hernandez of Oceanside, California, Theresa Renfro of Houston, Texas, Valerie Hankins of Aurora, Colorado, Marian Riddle of Newkirk, Oklahoma, Angela Lara of Lander, Wyoming, and Stephanie Bales of Lander; one son John Hernandez of Grand Junction, Colorado; a step-son Patrick Sterling of Wheatland, Wyoming; a sister Mabel Romero of Torrington, Wyoming; a brother John Hernandez of Pueblo, Colorado; twenty-seven grandchildren; three step-granddaughters; twenty-nine great grandchildren; and one great-great grandson. He was preceded in death by his parents; a son Mike; brothers Valen, Jim, Martin, Larry, George, and Louie; and sisters Mary and Olivia.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Kayo was a kind and generous man. His many volunteer services to Guernsey Library will be remembered. Our sympathy to Maureen and all his family.*  
*Love, Pat & Sid Carpenter*

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**Pat Carpenter** - March 02, 2015 at 08:12 AM

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“ *My deepest sympathies to Kayo's family. Kayo was a true friend and I will miss him. Have great memories of him and I traveling the state doing weapons inspections at all of the National Guard armories. His devotion to duty and his friendship to all was inspiring.*

*Richard Arntt*

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**Richard Arntt** - February 25, 2015 at 10:22 AM



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“ *Sorry to hear about Kayo. I knew him when I was a little girl. He played on the men's softball team that my dad, Kenneth Peterson, coached. There are quite the memories following that team. My sympathy to all of you.* *Kerri Peterson Rose*

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**Kerri Rose** - February 24, 2015 at 06:52 PM

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“ *We are so very sorry to hear of Kayo passing away. he's going to be missed,*  
*Love,*  
*the Ibarra Family*

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**Teresalbarra** - February 24, 2015 at 09:27 AM