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Mark Wittig, 42

June 30, 1953 - March 24, 1996

SEBASTOPOL, CA - Mark Wittig, son of Chet and Margaret (Freeman) Wittig, was born June 30, 1953 in Omaha, NE. He died March 24, 1996 in Sebastopol, CA as the result of an automobile accident. As a child he and his family lived in the country near Harlan. In lieu of rent his mother lived on the farm as a farmhand and he and his sisters cared for the livestock. As their farmhouse had a coal burning furnace, winters left them a little chilly, until such time the family decided to move to Neola. A few years later after his grandmother, Thelma Freeman, and his aunt, Kathy Freeman, (Harlan residents) moved to Santa Rosa, CA, he and his family followed them. He attended high school in Santa Rosa, CA.

He married Mary and became a father to her two children and about 2 years ago they became parents of a daughter, Corrine.

He was preceded in death by his father, Chet Wittig; grandmother and grandfather, Thelma and Owen Freeman; aunt, Dorothy McKinney, and aunt and uncle, Phyllis and Lowell Buck. He is survived by his wife, Mary; three children; his mother, Margaret Wittig; two sisters, Kim (Oscar) and Kande, and by other relatives.

Funeral services were held at the Sebastopol Christian Church, Sebastopol, CA March 28, 1996.