



## Paul A. Gukan

January 27, 1930 - April 10, 2016

Paul A. Gukan, 86, passed away Sunday in a local hospital following an extended battle with Alzheimer's disease. He was born in Tracy and spent many years living in Benicia. He served his country in the Korean War and was a veteran of the United States Army 9th Infantry.

He was a Dairyman and operated the Lopes Ranch on Lopes Road between Benicia and Cordelia for more than 22 years from 1961-1976. He also worked 20 years for Safeway in the dairy department. Paul was a longtime member of the B.D.E.S. Benicia Holy Ghost and served as president for over 17 years.

He is survived by Louise, his wife of 63 years; daughters Emma (Bob) Demers and Antonette (Steve) Arruda; 4 grandchildren Steve (Ruth) Demers, Joe (Ginger) Demers, Chelsea (Jeff) Masters and Jaimie Baxter and 8 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his daughter Paulette Gukan in 2009.

Visitation will be 4-8 p.m. Tuesday at Passalacqua Funeral Chapel. Funeral services will be held 11:00 a.m. Wednesday at Passalacqua Funeral Chapel. Burial with military honors will be 10:30 Thursday at Sacramento Valley National Cemetery, Dixon. Family prefers donations in Paul's name be made to the Benicia Holy Ghost Society or the Alzheimer's Foundation at [www.alzfn.org](http://www.alzfn.org).



# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **19**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (PT)

Passalacqua Funeral Chapel  
901 W Second Street  
Benicia, CA 94510  
(707) 745-3130  
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## Service

APR **20**. 11:00 AM (PT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Paul A. Gukan*

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November 29, 2022 at 08:20 PM



“ *Our thoughts are with you at this sad time. We think of you as family and if anything is needed, please let us know.*

*A Donation has been made to the Alzheimer Foundation in Paul's name.*

*Love,  
Marvelle Losado and The St. George/ Hirakawa/ Botti Family*

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**Ashley Hirakawa** - April 20, 2016 at 09:30 PM



“ *I'm so sorry for your loss.*

*I had the pleasure of meeting Paul on several occasions. He was always welcoming and made me feel at home. May the memory hold long and dear in your hearts.*

*God Bless,  
Jill Vela*

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**Jill Vela** - April 19, 2016 at 03:02 PM



“ *Glorious Grace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Paul A. Gukan.*



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April 19, 2016 at 01:31 PM



“ *My Uncle Paul may have been the greatest influence when I was growing up. In my memories from the ranch, he taught me so many things. From teaching me to drive his red Jeep to Fire Arm safety and hunting.....buying me lunch at the Auction Yard in Dixon. ....So many memories.*

*He was also a very patriotic American, fighting for his country in Korea. The Husband of my Aunt Louise and the father of my cousins. Emma, Paulette and Antonette.*

*My Uncle will remain in my heart forever and the life skills that I learned from my Uncle remain with me today.*

*Sincerely,  
Forever In My Heart,  
Eddie Cabral*

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**Eddie Cabral** - April 19, 2016 at 04:53 AM



“ *Vicki Mackelburg purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Paul A. Gukan.*



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**Vicki Mackelburg** - April 18, 2016 at 11:03 PM



“ Love, The Lunneys and the Joes purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Paul A. Gukan.



Love, The Lunneys and the Joes - April 18, 2016 at 10:49 PM



“ 80 files added to the album Life Tributes



Passalacqua Funeral Chapel - April 18, 2016 at 02:43 PM



“ Joyful Memory was purchased for the family of Paul A. Gukan.



April 17, 2016 at 01:46 PM



“ *Blooming Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Paul A. Gukan.*



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April 17, 2016 at 09:59 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Paul A. Gukan.*



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April 16, 2016 at 05:23 PM



“ *Toni, Chelsea, Jamie- we all loved going to the 'farm' and being around your family. Wonderful people. We are so very sorry for your loss.*  
*The Saletta family*

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**denise** - April 15, 2016 at 11:56 PM



“ *Emma Demers purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Paul A. Gukan.*



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**Emma Demers** - April 15, 2016 at 06:23 PM



“ *Rays of Light Spray was purchased for the family of Paul A. Gukan.*



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April 15, 2016 at 06:17 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Paul A. Gukan.*



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April 14, 2016 at 02:05 AM



“ *Maria Leonor Oliveira lit a candle in memory of Paul A. Gukan*



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**Maria Leonor Oliveira** - April 13, 2016 at 06:01 AM