

INDIANO

John Michael Indiano, 81, of Minden, Nevada, died Saturday, July 20, 2002.

He was born to Michel and Jeanne Marie Etchebarran Indiano on September 11, 1920 in Reno, Nevada. He spent his early years in Elko, Eureka and Jiggs, moving to Long Valley in Alpine County in 1930. His parents bought the family ranch on Heybourne Tract Road in 1937, where he spent the remainder of his life. John was a graduate of Douglas County High School where he was a member of the football, basketball, track and tennis teams. He was also a member of FFA and Block D.

On November 8, 1952, he married Barbara Sarasola and together they ran the family ranch until his death. They raised Angus cattle, sheep and alfalfa. In addition to running the family ranch, John also leased the Hollister Ranch in Genoa for twenty years. He also did custom backhoe work for many years.

John was a member of St. Gall Catholic church, the Mendiko Esculdun Cluba, the Active 20-30 Club, Lions Club, and was a charter member of the Manhattan Club.

John was on the Board of Directors of the Soil Conservation District since 1979, and was their equipment manager. He was on the ASCS Board of Directors; the Farm Bureau; and was instrumental in the formation of the Western Nevada Wool Pool. He was completing his second term on the Water Conveyance Board at the time of his death.

John was named Conservationist of the Year in 1967, and was inducted into the Farm Bureau Hall of Fame in 1996.

John was predeceased by his parents, and sister, Alice Dangberg. John is survived by his wife of 50 years, Barbara Indiano of Minden; son, Michael Gary Indiano and daughter in law, Joan of Pleasant Valley; daughter, JoAnn Thaler and son in law, Steve of Minden; daughter, Janelle Wilcks and son in law, Todd of Minden; grandchildren: Amber Indiano and Ryan Indiano of Las Vegas; Jeffrey Zinn, Matt and Kaycee Wilcks of Minden; and Melody and Sean Thaler of Gardnerville; sister, Adele Kidman of Reno; and numerous nieces and nephews.

The Rosary will be held on Wednesday, July 24, 2002, at 7:00 PM at St. Gall Catholic Church. The Funeral Mass will be held Thursday, July 25, 2002 at 11:00 AM.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the St. Gall Catholic Church Memorial Garden Project, 1343 Centerville Lane, Gardnerville, NV 89410.

Arrangements entrusted to Walton's Douglas County Mortuary.