

Verne R. Smith services conducted

Funeral services for Verne R. Smith, 78, were conducted Friday, Jan. 23, in the Chapel of the Valley, Palmdale, by the Rev. Clyde E. Ervin of the First United Methodist Church. Interment followed at Desert Lawn Memorial Park.

A Palmdale resident for 24 years, Mr. Smith was born March 26, 1897, in Illinois. He was a veteran of U.S. Navy service during World War I and had been a Realtor for 50 years. He wed the former Gladys Paull Oct. 13, 1965, in Venture, who survives her husband at the family home in Palmdale.

Mr. Smith was a Valley rancher between 1920-26 and again during 1952-56. He also served as the Chief Fire Dispatcher for the U.S. Forest Service between 1928-1937. He was a past Commander of American Legion Post 142; past president of the AV Foothill Board of Realtors and was a member of the AV Board of Realtors.

Mr. Smith also is survived by one son, Lowell Smith, also a Valley realtor; two brothers, Earl Smith of Pasadena; Glenn Smith of Temple City; one sister, Mrs. Faye Sandlin of Laguna Beach, three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Friends wishing to do so may make memorial

contributions in Mr. Smith's name to the Antelope Valley Guild of Children's Hospital, P.O. Box 54700, Los Angeles, CA, 90054.

Lillie I. Bertoni funeral service

Graveside funeral services for Lillie I. Bertoni, 70, were conducted Saturday, Jan. 24, at Palmdale District Cemetery by Elder Cecil Anderson of the Self-Supporting Seventh-day Adventist Church of Littlerock.

A Littlerock resident for several years, Mrs. Bertoni was a native Californian, born July 22, 1905. She died Jan. 22 in Palmdale.

Mrs. Bertoni is survived by five children, Mary Bertoni of Arroyo Grande; Rosie Bertoni of Littlerock; Louis Bertoni of Morgan Hills; Johnnie and Dave Bertoni, both of Paso Robles;

Four sisters, Evalina Schamandle of Bakersfield; Mary Ostini of Long Beach; Virginia Johnson of San Jose; Anita Holman of Downeey; four brothers, Grank Ostini of Santa Maria; Dick Ostini of San Luis Obispo; Lee Ostini of Paso Robles; William Ostini of Ukiah, and four grandchildren.