



## Gene Vegna

January 29, 1926 - April 16, 2015

Gene Vegna, 89, of Hot Springs passed away, Thursday, April 16, 2015. He was born January 29, 1926 in St. Louis, Missouri to the late Paul & Mildred Kraeger Vegna.

He was an Air Force Veteran, World War II Veteran and followed his service in the military with a carrier with the United States Post office; and was of the Catholic faith.

He was predeceased by his wife, Helen Barnes Vegna.

Survivors include his nephew, Vincent Gene Vegna.

Service will be held at Mt. View Cemetery in San Bernardino, California.

# Tribute Wall

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“ I think this is the same Gene that was my daughter's Godfather, along with his wife Helen Vegna in 1975. I lost track of him when I moved away in 1990. He was a nice man. When I was a teenager Gene, Helen and my family went camping together and I remember riding on his motorcycle through the forrest.

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**Melinda Greven** - January 20, 2016 at 02:23 PM

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That sounds like the 'Uncle Gene' I remember. My first trip to California with my mom to visit her Aunt Helen in 1975, Gene took me on his bike for a fun ride up into the mountains above San Bernardino. We stopped at some town (Crestline?) for hot cocoa, then headed back down. He was warm, kind, funny and we loved him. He was a great husband to our Aunt Helen as well. We lost touch with him after he moved to Arkansas. Wish we had had social media then! May his memory be a blessing.

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**Jon Arkin** - October 19, 2021 at 01:27 PM

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My Uncle Gene was brother to my father, Paul Vincent Vegna. He and his wife, Helen, lived in San Bernardino, Ca when our family moved to California when my father's military career sent him to Korea his last remaining year in the Air Force. The rest of our family lived in Highland, Ca during that year abt 1968-1969. My Uncle took me on motorcycle rides and he and Aunt Helen took me to church occasionally after I had spent the night for a visit. Sometime after Gene's wife Helen, passed he moved to Arkansas. His mother, Mildred Kraeger Vegna, moved from Peoria, Illinois to San Bernardino, Ca and lived there until moving to Victorville, Ca. To be near her other son Paul Vegna and his family and later passed when she was 105 years old.

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**Susan Del Monte** - September 13, 2022 at 12:41 AM