

Pendleton, he was stationed in Guam.

When the Korean Conflict began, he was sent to fight in Korea where he took part in the Wonsan Landing, and the battles of Seoul and Inchon, where he was wounded. He received a Good Conduct Medal, a Purple Heart, and in 1951 he received an Honorable Discharge.

After the war, Steve attended Chico State University where he received his degree in education.

He soon traveled back home to begin his teaching career at Greenville Elementary.

After several years in Greenville, Steve and his family moved to Susanville where he began teaching at McKinley Elementary and Diamond View, and finally landing at Lassen High School (1970-1980) where he instructed Susanville youth in history and government studies. His students remember him as a visionary, a teacher who treated them with the utmost respect, and as a master storyteller. He was also known for being the teacher who wore yellow and purple glasses.

As a researcher and historian of Lassen County, Steve compiled a wealth of information on historic Lassen County.

His true passion lies in local Maidu history, as he loved sharing stories on the Maidu Creator and the Creator's journey throughout the valley.

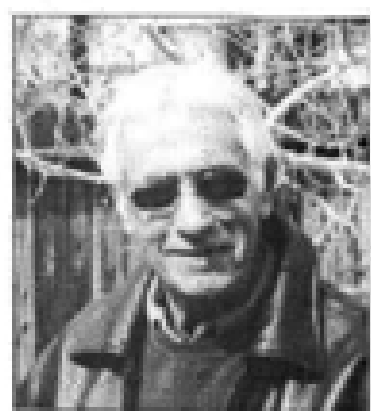
His interest and respect of the Maidu culture earned him an invitation to be one of the first non-native persons to participate in the Maidu Bear Dance.

Surviving are his wife, Edna; brother, Jesse; two sons, Kevin (Jud) and Kase (Carie); two grandchildren, Gabriel (Nicole) and Madeline; great-grandchild, Collin; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Steve was preceded in death by his father and moth-

er, Virgen and Ruperta Camacho; sisters, Mary Farnsworth and Lupe Ramirez; two sons, Steve and Marc Camacho; and granddaughter, Cheyenne Camacho.

Funeral services will be held at Sacred Heart Catholic Church at 11 a.m. on April 30. A military gravesite service will follow at Diamond Crest Cemetery and then a reception at Monsignor Moran Hall.



**Estevan "KC"
Phillip Camacho**

Longtime Lassen County resident and beloved teacher, Steve Camacho, passed away peacefully Friday, April 13, 2012. He left his family and friends to join his two sons, Steve and Marc Camacho.

The son of Virgen and Ruperta Camacho, Steve was born in Westwood, Calif. on Feb. 17, 1929. During his youth, he became an avid hunter and outdoorsman and this enthusiasm and appreciation for nature followed him throughout his life. His love of Westwood made him believe that it honestly should be the Capitol of the United States. In high school, Steve was an outstanding student-athlete, excelling at boxing, football and basketball.

During this time he broke several Westwood High School basketball records.

In 1948, he enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps. After basic training at Camp