



Arthur Polk

October 20, 1929 - November 20, 2014

Arthur Polk, a Local Icon and Music Afficionado, passed away on November 20, 2014 at the age of 85. He was distinctively and affectionately known as "Art" to his family and multitude of friends throughout the world.

Art was born on October 20, 1929 in Kerens, Texas. As a young boy, he and his family migrated to California and settled in West Oakland. It was there that he discovered and immersed himself into the world of music and especially the phenomenal world of Bebop.

Art joined the US Navy at age 17, went out to see the world and continued a deeper exploration of the Bebop artform. Bebop would eventually become his life.

In the 1970s, he was one of the founding members of the Berkeley Flea Market.

Here he spread his knowledge of Bebop and Jazz through his merchandising of collectable vinyl, CDs, art and memorabilia. As a result of touching so many of the international visitors to the market, he established a worldwide reputation as a Bebop Expert and Music Afficionado .

Art died after a long battle with a lung condition.

Cemetery Details

Rolling Hills Memorial Park

4100 Hilltop Drive
Richmond, CA 94803

Previous Events

Service

NOV 25. 11:00 AM (PT)

Harris Funeral Home Legacy Center
1331 San Pablo Ave.
Berkeley, CA 94702
(510) 525-1331
<http://www.harrisfuneralhomelegacycenter.com>

Tribute Wall



“ *Love you grandpa take care of grandma til we meet again* ”

Von Polk - May 24 at 10:37 PM



“ *65 files added to the album Memories Album* ”



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