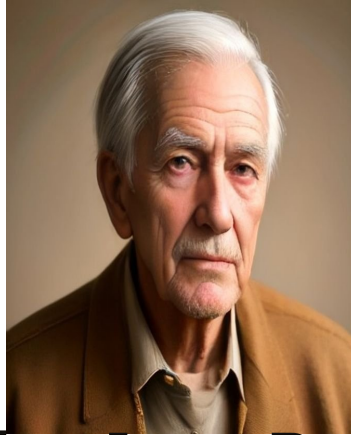




Arthur James Beckett

August 20, 1949 - August 19, 2026

Oakland, California

Arthur James Beckett died in Oakland on August 19, 2026. He was 76. Born in Oakland on August 20, 1949, with Anglo West roots that shaped the table more than the flag. He learned early that a day is something you finish, not something you wait for.

He counted cargo under a sun that did not care about manifests. His clipboard never left the cab, and the union hall still uses his system. Colleagues still mention a clipboard that never left the cab.

He married Dorothy in 1976. They kept a house that stayed modest when the neighborhood did not. They raised a son through public schools and ordinary weather. After Dorothy died in 2019, he kept the routines that still made sense: the walk, the garden, the Sunday call.

Neighbors remember someone who knew every child's name on the block. He liked early mornings before the heat or the noise. He died in Oakland, among streets he never needed to explain. The recipe card is still stained in the useful places.

Services

A memorial gathering in Oakland with coffee afterward. In lieu of flowers, a gift to a local workers' fund, clinic, or neighborhood library is welcome.

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