



Gordon Scott Shackelford

January 1, 1939 - August 1, 2026

Reno, Nevada

Gordon Scott Shackelford of Reno died on August 1, 2026 at the age of 87. Born in Reno on January 1, 1939, into a Portuguese-American household that treated work as a language. Early on, he decided that a paycheck and a handshake should weigh the same.

He tended crushers through heat that made its own schedule. A crusher sample scoop labeled twice kept shifts fairer than memos. Colleagues still mention a crusher sample scoop labeled.

He married Edna in 1961. They kept a house that stayed modest when the neighborhood did not. They raised three sons through public schools and ordinary weather. After Edna died in 2019, he kept the routines that still made sense: the walk, the garden, the Sunday call.

Neighbors remember quiet help with a stuck mailbox or a heavy trash can. Mornings were his favorite shift at home. He died in Reno, on streets that already knew his pace. The extra coffee is still in the thermos.

Services

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

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