

Ernest Montano, of Hedgesville, W. Va., died on Nov. 18. He was 83.

He was born in Pine Haven, N.M., on Oct. 15, 1939.

Ernest was preceded in death by wife Mary Montano of Show Low, Ariz.; his parents Rafael and Rosenda Montano of Gallup; his brothers: Oliverto Montano, Jorgn Montano, Leo Montano, and Ralph Montano Jr., all of Gallup; his sisters Laura Villanueva of Albuquerque and Gereldine Oguin Montano of Council Bluffs, IA.

He is survived by his sisters: Perfectita Sandoval of Albuquerque and Estella Montano of Phoenix; his sons: Darryl G. Montano and Derrick Silversmith-Montano of Navajo Nation, Ralph Montano of Sacramento, Calif., Wayne Montano of Hedgesville, W.Va; and his daughters: Maryeona S. Montano of Thoreau and Angela Savage of Honokaa, Hawaii.

Funeral services will be held at Sacred Heart Cathedral, 415 E. Green Ave., on Dec. 17 starting at 11 am.

Instead of flowers, the family is asking that people donate to Little Sisters of the Poor.