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Smokejumper Obituary

Wilcox, Robert L. (Redding 1963)

Bob died June 19, 2021, after battling heart problems and cancer of the blood. He was born on December 11, 1941, in Yreka, CA. He graduated from Yreka High School in 1960 and attended Humboldt State University, graduating in 1965 with a bachelor's in Forest Administration.

Bob accepted a Career Conditional Appointment, Klamath National Forest, Goosenest District - worked 5 years (1965 -1969) as reforestation/TSI specialist; Sequoia National Forest, Bakersfield District (1970) - served as project liaison officer on freeway construction project up Kern Canyon and wrote Environmental Impact Statement on Hydro project renewal; Forester - Eldorado National Forests working both out of Supervisors Office (1971- 1974) and on Placerville Ranger District (1975-1978) focused primarily on Timber Sale Contract administration; Plumas National Forest, Quincy District Ranger (1978-1999) - responsible for full range of resource management programs; Rogue River National Forest (R6), Prospect District Ranger for eight years.

Bob retired August 1997 and lived in Medford, OR. He jumped at Redding 1963-65 and 1967.

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