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## Smokejumper Obituary

### **Williams, Kimbuck (Grangeville 1952)**

Kimbuck Williams, 71, who served 33 years as Placer County's (Calif.) elected auditor-controller, died July 25, 2001, in Auburn, California. Over his career, he easily won election to the controller's post nine times.

Kimbuck was raised in rural Auburn before joining the Navy and serving as an aircraft radio operator. After leaving the Navy, he jumped the 1952 season at Grangeville. He graduated from Sacramento State College and went to work with the state Department of Finance.

During his election campaigns, he walked door to door traveling one end of Placer Country to the other with the message: "Keep Kimbuck." He retired from office during his ninth term in April 2000.

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