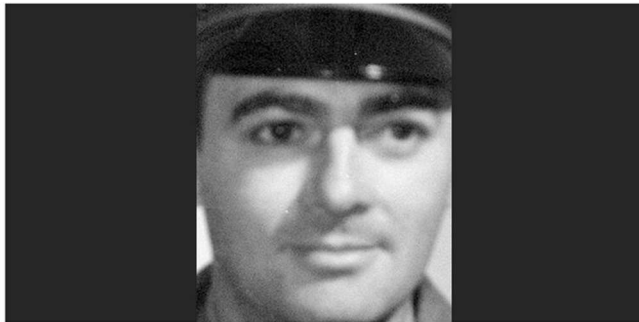




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James Van Pelt, R.I.P.

Our neighbor at 317, Jim Van Pelt, recently succumbed to the effects of a stroke he suffered last year. Our deepest condolences to his wife, Delia, and other family members. Here is his obituary from the San Mateo Daily News.



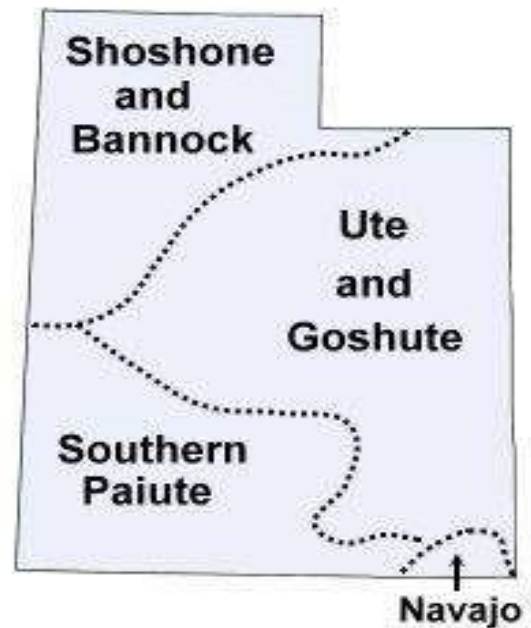
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Preceded in death by his mother Miriam, father James and grandson Benjamin. Survived by his wife Delia, sister Janice, children Lori Kirtlan (Jon), Diane Riley (Tim), Janette Moquin (Greg) & Karen Williams (Larry). His grandchildren Jonny, Ashlee, Kelli, Tim Jr., Bryan, Trevor, Kiahna, Ma'kayla and Aaliyah, 5 great grandchildren, his niece Lisa and nephew Joseph. May you rest in peace.

Aaron's Question Column

Question: How/when did Utah get settled by non-Native Americans? What were the Native American tribes that resided in that region (and are they still in existence and thriving)?
-Jerry

Aaron's Answer: Utah was settled in 1847 by an influx of Mormons from Illinois. Many fur traders and colonists had ventured into Utah before, but none of them had gone there with the objective of settling in Utah. The Mormons settled in Salt Lake Valley, and then proceeded to convert many natives to Mormonism. A few of the tribes retained their original beliefs, and are now living peacefully on the Uintah and Ouray Reservation. They still preserve most of their rituals and beliefs, while some of them leave the reservations for the alluring city life.



2 maps of Utah's Native American tribes

A few of the tribes have interesting facts. The Goshute tribe lives in the middle of the desert, which they believe to have been their home forever. Living in the middle of the desert gave them protection against outsiders and the other tribes. The Paiute tribe was a very peaceful

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