

Walt Carrier – 1934-2013

Longtime South Lake Tahoe resident Walter Carrier died July 6. He was 78.

He born on Sept. 4, 1934.

Walter, known to all as Walt, began teaching at the age of 21 in Martinez in 1955. He taught at Martinez Elementary School until 1961. He then moved his family to South Lake Tahoe where he was first hired to teach seventh grade at Al Tahoe Middle School which was combined with the high school.

In 1962 he moved to Tahoe Valley Elementary to teach sixth grade. He then became a teaching vice principal, and then principal from 1965 until 1970.

In 1970 he became principal of Bijou Elementary School; serving that community until 1978.

In 1978 he became principal of the Meyers Elementary School; serving that community until 1983.

In 1983 he became principal of Sierra House Elementary School; serving that community until 1987.

In 1987 he became principal of South Tahoe Middle School.

In spring and summer of 1988 he served as interim superintendent of Lake Tahoe Unified School District.

He then began working for El Dorado County as the director of Court Schools, which included El Dorado Juvenile Hall in Placerville.

At the same time he was a liaison to the project Right of Passage which enabled students to graduate high school who struggled in the public system.

He retired from the county in 1994 to spend time with his

wife, Nancy, and children Janiece, Walter Jr. and Mark and dog Frankie.

Walt was an avid runner for decades and then enjoyed his walks in the woods with Frankie.

He spent his last days at Cascade of the Sierras in Spanish Springs, Nev., with his daughter, Janiece, son-in-law, John, and grandson, Jess Walsh.

He was well loved and will be missed by all.