

442 Zamora Drive
South San Francisco, CA
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Dear Mr. Rosen,

It is with a sad heart that I write to tell you that my father, Litto Damonte, passed away June 11. My son, Michael, stated that Litto just went to sleep so his passing was calm and seemingly without pain. We are thankful for that as it would have been regrettable to have a man such as he, who was extremely active for ninety-two years to linger and suffer.

The Valley people, just as we, were shocked in that we truly felt that he would live to reach "the age with two zeros" as he so often proclaimed. His last few months showed a tremendous change in his behavior; he was content to sit and snooze most of the day which was certainly not Litto. He had been always puttering around with something and forever had a story to tell or something to say.

As was mentioned by many, his dying is the passing of an era.

Mr. Rosen, I want to thank you for all the kindness you showed my father these many years. He really enjoyed the fame and notoriety you so willingly helped him acquire. He was so proud of his accomplishment -- THE HUBCAP KING OF POPE VALLEY--and we, his family, are equally proud of him.

It was Dad's wish, and our's, that we continue to maintain and improve his creation. My son, Michael, who has been living with Litto for the past year and a half, will continue to reside at the ranch and be custodian of the premises.

Again, Mr. Rosen, thank you for your thoughtfulness and kindness. It was much appreciated by my father, Litto, and by his many friends and his family.

Sincerely yours,

Emanuele N. Damonte