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## Shri Guru Ravidass Temple Yuba City Committee and Sangat Celebrated 641st Gurpurab of Satguru Ravidass Ji

The management committee of Shri Guru Ravidass Temple, Yuba City, in collaboration with the Sadh-Sangat celebrated with fervour and devotion 641st Gurpurab of Satguru Ravidass Ji Maharaj on February 9-11, 2018. After the completion of Bhog ceremony on 11 February, celestial Kirtan-Darbars were organized by Bhai Pritpal Singh Ji Hajoori Jatha and famous Dhadi Jatha of Nabhawallian-Bibian. Bhai Jaspal Singh Ji,

Head-Granthi of Shri Guru Ravidass Temple Rio Linda, Sacramento, Bhai Sukhdev Singh Ji, former Head-Granthi of Bradshaw Gurughar, Shruti, Voice of Punjab, also mesmerized the Sadh-Sangat with the GurbaniKirtan. Bhai Gurdip Singh Hira and Shri Ram Bhatia rendered the services of stage secretary efficiently. Shri Raj Kumar and Bhai Satnam Singh of Yuba City contributed towards the Sewa of langar. The admin-

istrative committee of Shri Guru Ravidass Temple, Yuba City honored the committees of Shri Guru Ravidass Temple, Rio-Linda, Sacramento, Shri Guru Ravidass Temple, Pittsburg, Shri Guru Ravidass Temple, Bay Area, Maharishi Valmik Temple, Yuba City (California), NabhawallianBibian, Bhai Sukhdev Singh, Bhai Amarjit Singh, Bhai Jaspal Singh, Shruti, Stanley Cleveland JR, former Mayor and Present Council Member of Yuba City,

Shri Prem Kumar Chumber, Editor-in-Chief of Ambedkar Times ([www.ambedkartimes.com](http://www.ambedkartimes.com)) and Desh Doaba ([www.deshdoaba.com](http://www.deshdoaba.com)) T.J., Shri Iqbal Singh, and Bibi Gurdev Kaur were presented with Siropas.

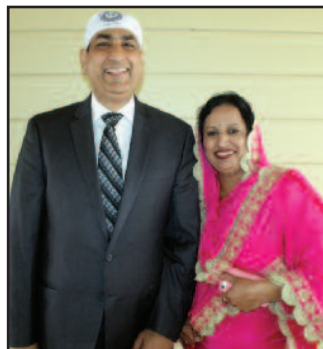
Shri Dilwinder Ralh, President of Gurughar thanked the Sadh-Sangat on the behalf of Parbandhak Committee.

**Report and pictures:**  
**Prem K. Chumber**



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# FLORAL TRIBUTES TO BIBI GURMIT KAUR BHATIA



It is very saddening to know that Bibi Gurmit Kaur Bhatia, Matriarch of the Bhatia family, left for her heavenly abode on February 06, 2018.

Bibi Gurmit Kaur born in India on April 02, 1929 lived a very long, abundant and a full life. She immigrated to America along with her husband, Mr. Rattan Singh Bhatia and her children in 1979 to join her husband's brother; Mr. Hukam Singh Bhatia. She is survived by a large and a blossoming family of 10 children, 44 grandchildren and 21 great grandchildren. By dint of hard work Bibi Gurmit Kaur's family, starting from a very humble beginning, rose to be a very prosperous and a God blessed family in the community with a spirited dedication to the establishment and running of our Guru Ghar in Pittsburg, California.

Recitation of Path Sukhmani Sahib and Ardass by Giani Gurnam Singh were held for peace and tranquility of the departed soul.

Besides the entire family, a stream of mourners attended her funeral services held on February 10, 2018 in Hull's Walnut Creek Chapel.

Mr. O.P. Balley 'Founder Member of Sri Guru Ravidass Temple, Pittsburg (California), well versed with the life of the deceased, ran the proceedings of her funeral services at the chapel and eulogized her life's legacy. Other prominent members of the community who paid their tributes to the memory of the deceased included her son Mr. Kashmiri Bhatia accompanied by his wife Mrs. Kamaljit Bhatia, her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Gina Bhatia, her son, Mr. Som Nath Bhatia and daughter Mrs. Rani

Narabat with her husband Mr. Shinder Pal Narabat. All the 44 grandchildren made a group appearance to share their sweet memories of their grandmother. Dr. Harmesh Kumar and Mr. Vinod Chumber prominent members of the community also paid their respectful homage to Bibi Gurmit Kaur. Mr. Prem Kumar Chumber, Chief Editor: Ambedkar Times and Desh Doaba provided a pictorial and journalistic coverage to the entire proceedings of the event. After cremation services at the Chapel, religious services ending with Bhog ceremony of Sehaj Path, were also held at the temple in Pittsburg followed by Shabad Kirtan and Antim Ardass.

Bibi Gurmit Kaur, like her late husband Mr. Rattan Singh Bhatia, liked to live an independent life with least possible dependence on the

family. In pursuit of her strong will and determination to equip herself to overcome any personal limitations she regularly attended Education classes in County Adult school and became a U.S Citizen on her own merits. She even gained the ability to manage her own Bank Accounts. This earned her a lot of self-respect, dignity leading to a rich and a lasting legacy in the years to come.

Some video clips of her sweet memories of yesteryears were also shown by her grandchildren to Sangat during the services. We again offer our heartfelt condolences on this irreparable loss to the bereaved family with prayers to Akalpurkh to bestow peace and tranquility upon the departed soul. - Mr. O.P. Balley  
**Founder Member of Sri Guru Ravidass Temple, Pittsburg (CA)**

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# Mr. Mohinder Pal Narabut left for heavenly abode

Mr. Mohinder Pal Narabut, Abhishek Pal Narabut's father and Shinder Pal Narabut's elder brother left for heavenly abode on February 8, 2018 at John Muir Hospital in Concord after battling for his life with an exemplary courage.

Mr. Mohinder Pal was born in SarhalQazian, Jalandhar, Punjab in India on April 10, 1950. He retired as a Senior-manager from Syndicate Bank in Chandigarh. He was an honest person with a pleasing personality and friendly nature. He was a nature lover and followed an active lifestyle. He was a pioneer of the NARABUT family. He worked hard to educate his children and give his family a distinguished life style.

He is survived by his mother Mata Swarni Narabut, wife KamlaRani, his son Abhishek Pal Narabut (who has served as General Secretary of Sri Guru Ravidass Temple), daughter in law Navdeep Kaur, daughters Swati Pal and Shivika, granddaugh-

ters Ayesha Pal and Liyana Pal, brothers Kashmir Lal Narabut and Shinder Pal Narabut (Ex-Chairman of Sri Guru Ravidass Temple), sisters R e s h m o , Joginder Kaur and Amarjit Kaur. He had very strong family values and was deeply attached to his roots. He went back to India last year for his his daughter Swati's marriage to Manish Sawal. He came back from India with his wife to be with his son in December 2017.



He survived a deadly nervous breakdown in 1995 and again a major attack in 2008 which affected his memory. He fought the heroic battle twice but this time he left us to unite with the Almighty after an honorable fight at 1:50 PM on February 8, 2018. Till the last moment he stayed strong. Every person whosoever ever knew him or was around him, prayed for his wellbeing. We all had the hope that he will come home soon.

His Funeral services will be on Wednesday, February 14, 2018 at 09:30 am at the Pittsburg Funeral Chapel, 2295 Railroad Ave, Pittsburg CA 94565. Cremation services following at Oakview Memorial Park 2500 E. 18th St., Antioch, Ca 94509 at 12:45 PM Final ARDAS and Guru Ka Langar will be at Gurughar, 2150 Crestview Drive, Pittsburg CA, after the funeral. In words of Sri Guru Ravidass ji:

ਜਲ ਕੀ ਭੀਤਿ ਪਵਨ ਕਾ ਬੰਝਾ ਰਕਤ ਬੁੰਦ ਕਾ ਗਾਰਾ ॥  
ਰਾਤ ਮਾਸ ਨਾੜੀ ਕੇ ਪਿੰਜਰੁ ਪੰਖੀ ਬਸੈ ਬਿਚਾਰਾ ॥1॥  
ਪ੍ਰਾਨੀ ਕਿਆ ਮੇਰਾ ਕਿਆ ਤੇਰਾ ॥  
ਜੈਸੇ ਤਰਵਰ ਪੰਖਿ ਬਸੇਰਾ ॥

His legacy will remain with us forever. He will be dearly missed by the family and friends. May God bless his dear departed soul and comfort Narabut family as they mourn their loss. Our deepest condolences to the family

- **Ramesh Suman Chairman**  
Sri Guru Ravidass Sabha Pittsburg (CA)

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