



### Menifee League Champions 55 Shades of Gray

Back Row (L to R): Mike O'Donnell, Bob Kapeller, Bill Steele, John Renwick, Orlando Lopez, Jon Newell  
Front Row (L to R): Donnie Sternberger, Dick Haines, Bob Olsen, Greg Brandt, Ray Sikes  
Not Pictured: Dave Baydala, Tom Jadwin, John White

### **55 Shades of Gray Wins Menifee Senior Softball Championship**

55 Shades of Gray is the Menifee Valley Upper Division Senior Softball (MVUDSS) Spring 2016 champion edging Brandon's Diner 14-13 in the semi-finals then defeating RedE 2 Roll by a score of 12-5 in the finals of the single-elimination playoffs.

After finishing in 1st place with an 11-3 regular season record, 55 Shades of Gray, runners-up during the Fall 2015 Season losing in the finals by 1 run, would not be denied this season winning their last eight regular season games then sweeping through the single-elimination playoffs to take the championship.

MVUDSS league games are played on Monday mornings at the Big League Dreams Sports Park in Perris. The league offers tournament-caliber senior softball players 55 and older an opportunity to participate in a highly competitive, well-balanced, tournament-style league. Players turning 55 in calendar year 2017 are eligible to play in the upcoming Fall 2016 Season.

The league consists of players and teams from the Temecula Valley, Riverside, Ontario, and North San Diego County areas. Traveling teams have the option of playing once a week or playing bi-weekly doubleheaders.

League President Steve Baranick said, "Our league has grown to eight teams with the possibility of a ninth team in the fall and continues to attract new players from around Southern California."

The Fall Season will start on September 12, 2016 and run through January 9, 2017. Players and teams interested in participating should contact Steve Baranick, 951-677-0428, [stephenbaranick@gmail.com](mailto:stephenbaranick@gmail.com) or visit the league website <http://www.mvudss.org/>.