



## Michael Wayne Thompson

January 28, 1960 - March 27, 2014

Dr. Michael W. Thompson passed away peacefully at Cottage Hospital in Santa Barbara on March 27, 2014. Dr. Thompson had practiced dentistry in Santa Barbara for over 29 years. Beloved by patients, friends, and family, Dr. "Mike" will truly be missed.

Mike was born on January 28th, 1960 in Santa Paula, CA. Mike's father was a deep-sea diver and thus Mike attended schools in Goleta, Louisiana, Australia, and Singapore. He graduated high school from the American School of Aberdeen, Scotland. He returned to the states and attended San Diego State University earning his BA in Biology in 1981. He then attended The University of Pacific School of Dentistry earning his Doctor of Dental Surgery (DDS) in 1985. He immediately returned to Santa Barbara and opened his first practice on the corner of State and Mission.

Just a few years later, in 1988, Mike married Carolina Osmond. Together they raised one daughter, Cameron Anne Thompson, now eighteen. The Thompson's were very active in their daughter's activities. Dr. Mike coached Cameron's AYSO soccer teams for five years, followed by T-ball and soft ball teams. Eventually, Cameron went on to play tennis at Bishop Diego High School where her parents were avid fans. Mike also found time for golf and fishing, his two favorite pastimes. He traveled extensively with family and friends on vacations, golf outings and fishing trips taking him to Europe,

Alaska, Australia, and Mexico.

Dr. Thompson was a member in good standing with The American Dental Association, The California Dental Association, and The Santa Barbara Dental Society. He served as President for the local Lion's Club. He was also a former board member of the Montecito Country Club, his home away from home. He received many accolades for his abilities in the field of dentistry, always keeping his practice on the cusp of new technology.

Dr. Thompson is survived by his wife of 26 years, Carolina, his daughter Cameron Anne, mother Aldora (Ray) Eller of Santa Barbara, step-brother Jordan Eller of Ventura, father Don (Marcia) Thompson of Van Nuys, step-sisters Amy and Wendy Woodall, brother Mark (Marsha) Thompson of La Jolla, sister Anne (Adam) Rakunas and niece Grace of Santa Monica and mother-in-law Kay Osmond of Santa Barbara.

The family sincerely hopes all who wish will attend a memorial for the celebration of Dr. Mike's life at Montecito Country Club on Wednesday April 16<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 am. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the First Tee Foundation P.O. Box 1611, Summerland, CA 93067. For more information, contact Butch Breedon at 805-637-9415

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

APR **16**. 10:00 AM (PT)

Montecito Country Club  
920 Summit Rd.  
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# Tribute Wall

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“ I am indeed saddened to hear of Micheal's passing. I was a classmate of his at the University Of The Pacific (Class of 1985), and zone of my big regrets was that I didn't keep in touch with "Big Red" since graduation. His quick wit and sense of humor helped us all to get thru the difficult process of working towards graduation, and he always seemed to take the hardships of dental school with a smile and sense of humor, which I'm sure helped to make him the same excellent dentist in private practice that he was in school. May God bless him and his family.

-Alan B. Winter, DDS

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**Alan B. Winter** - April 10, 2014 at 11:18 AM