



R. Jay Simon Jr.

July 24, 1932 - July 28, 2013

Jay went home to be with the Lord on July 28, 2013 following a long illness. His family had gathered to celebrate his and Nancy's birthdays, so his last day was one of joy, love, care, and hugs. Jay was born in Los Angeles, CA on July 24, 1932. He grew up in Las Vegas and played basketball in High School, making the Nevada All-State Team. He received an athletic scholarship to Loyola University, Los Angeles. After graduating with a B.A. in Business, Jay served in the Air Force. In 1958, Jay married Nancy, his one true love. Married for over 55 years, they raised 2 children, Greg and Lisa, and have 4 grandchildren, Shane Lopes (Jamie), Dorian Simon, Cody Bidlow, and Natasha Simon; one great grandson, Rio. Jay joined Pan American World Airways in 1958 and spent 30 years working in San Francisco, Guam, Iceland, Trinidad, Honolulu, Japan, Spain, and Rio de Janeiro. Jay and Nancy traveled the world together and shared many experiences, adventures, different cultures, and made many friends. Settling in Santa Barbara in 1988, Jay volunteered his services at Transition House, Rescue Mission, Food Bank, and with youth sports. He worked at Marymount School as Business Manager for several years. He will be remembered as a loving husband and father, a doting grandfather, an avid 49er fan, and a marathon runner. Jay maintained a cheerful spirit and positive outlook throughout his life. He was a true gentleman, completely devoted to his family. We will miss him so much! A celebration of his life will be held at Free Methodist Church, 1435 Cliff Dr., SB, on Sunday Aug. 18, 2013, at 1:30pm. - See more at: <http://www.legacy.com/o>

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Previous Events

Celebration of Life

AUG 18. 1:30 PM (PT)

Free Methodist Church
1435 Cliff Drive
Santa Barbara, CA 93109
<http://www.fmcsb.org>