



Walter John Golis

February 26, 1934 - April 9, 2026

Walter John Golis, age 92, passed away peacefully on April 9, 2026. He was born February 26, 1934 in Brooklyn, New York to Walter John Golis and Helen Minnie Golis (Duffy). Walter proudly enlisted in the United States Marine Corps at the age of 17 and served during the Korean War from 1951 to 1953.

Walter met the love of his life, Evelyn Mary Brockmann, in July 1958 at Eastover, a family resort in Lenox, Massachusetts. Their connection was immediate, and they were married the following year on June 14, 1959, beginning a lifelong partnership filled with love and devotion.

The couple made their home in New York, where Walter worked as a door-to-door salesman. In July 1973, they relocated to Santa Barbara, California, where Walter built a successful career in real estate beginning in 1975. He later specialized in mobile home park sales and became well respected in his field.

Walter had a lifelong passion for handball, a sport he began playing in New York and continued to enjoy well into his 80s. His dedication to the game reflected his energy, discipline, and love of staying active.

Above all else, Walter loved his family and spending time together. He was a wonderful family man and a devoted grandfather to his three grandchildren.

He loved being by the ocean and many days could be seen driving with the top down in his convertible cruising up and down State Street and along the ocean. He loved going out to lunch, loved sitting by the pool spending time with family and friends , listening to music and embracing the simple pleasures of life. He was a sweet, kind, and gentle soul who touched the lives of many.

Walter is survived by his beloved wife, Evelyn Mary Golis; his children, Steven John Golis, Glenn Thomas Golis, and Jill Patricia Barker (married to Rick Barker); and his cherished grandchildren, Brianna Nicole Barker, Logan John Barker, and Serena Grace Golis.

Walter will be remembered for his loving nature, and the lasting relationships he built throughout his life. His presence will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him.

“The eagle has landed.”

In lieu of flowers donations can be made to Heal the Ocean.

A celebration of his life will be held sometime mid to late July.

Tribute Wall



“ *every single moment was perfect. the most peaceful, content, and joyful man. truly so happy spending time in nature and with his loved ones.* ”

Brianna Barker - May 01 at 10:04 AM

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“ *Driving down State Street with my cousins, Blenders smoothies in hand. I'm thinking of you, Poppy. Wish you were here.* ”



Serena - April 30 at 07:21 PM



the best memories!!!

Brianna Barker - May 01 at 10:03 AM

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“ *I feel so very blessed to have had Walter in my life the past few years . The joy he still had at being by the ocean was inspirational . His understated humor was one of the many reasons I enjoyed being in his presence . See ya up in heaven Walter .* ”



Debbie Goodwin - April 29 at 06:18 PM

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I'll see you soon Poppy. I'll miss you very much. -Serena G

Serena - April 30 at 07:18 PM



Oops haha nice post Debbie!!

Serena - April 30 at 07:22 PM



his humor was truly unmatched!!!

Brianna Barker - May 01 at 10:04 AM