## **Marvin Droes**

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Marvin A. Droes, 85, died peacefully from complications of Parkinson's disease. He was born 1929 in Madison, Wisconsin to Amos Droes and Doris (Thompson) Droes.

Marvin moved to Reno, Nevada to play baseball for the Reno Silver Sox in 1950. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War and returned to Reno after his discharge. In 1957 he married Nellie Schmidt and together they raised two sons, Frederick and Steven. Marvin and Nellie moved to Greenville, North Carolina in 1992. He and Nellie returned to Nevada in 2013 in order to be closer to family.

For 56 years, Marvin was a loving husband and father who provided a stable and supportive home for his family. Marvin enjoyed the company of family and friends and was particularly fond of weekend excursions to the family owned property north of Truckee, California. Weekends would be spent camping, hiking, and sailing his homemade sailboat at the nearby lakes. Time spent with his close friends occurred on the golf course whenever the weather permitted or in the bowling alley when it was too cold to play golf.

Marvin was a consummate handyman with the ability to build or fix most anything. From his wood shop Marvin would construct bedroom furniture, office desks, book shelves, and entertainment centers. He even built a "San Francisco Bay Pelican" sailboat in the family garage.

He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Nellie, and children: Frederick Droes and Lora Devereaux, Steven Droes and Kathi Rick. Grandchildren: Shannon and Justin Morscheck, Katherine Devereaux. Great grandchildren: Gwyneth and Calvin Morscheck. Sister: Dorothy and Junior Booth. Sisters-in-law: Mary Schmidt and Chuck Westin, Lida Schmidt. Several nieces and nephews.

The family would like to express their deep appreciation to Marie Schrader and Lena Lundberg who provided extraordinary and loving care that increased Marvin's quality of life as he struggled with the effects of Parkinson's disease.

In honor of Marvin's desires, the family does not intend to hold burial or memorial services.

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