George Bernard Hunrick Jr(1932-2015)



George Hunrick passed away peacefully at his Woodbridge home on January 2nd at the age of 82. George was born in 1932 and raised in Oakland and attended Concordia High School. He excelled as a student and as a baseball player. He was noticed by major league scouts and signed with the St. Louis Browns. While playing in the minor leagues in Independence, Kansas, he met and married Anita Meyer. His baseball career was interrupted by a call of duty. He served in the army and was selected for a special assignment in the honor guard. After two years of service, he decided to attend Cal Berkeley and pursue another passion as an educator and coach.

George was a well respected high school history teacher and by all accounts has positively affected the lives of generations of young people. He specialized in California history, taught drivers training and coached varsity baseball for over thirty years. He primarily taught at Campolindo High School in Moraga and resided in that community for 35 years. In addition to his teaching responsibilities, he organized Western Civilization tours for high school students to Europe for 18 years. He also branched out to teach history for retuning adults enrolled at Diablo Valley College Upon retirement and the sudden passing of his wife Anita, George met and married Patsy Stoebner from Lodi and they married in 1984. George and Patsy enjoyed traveling, entertaining and being part of the Lodi community. George enjoyed membership at the Woodbridge country club and playing golf at his favorite course. He was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather. He took great pride spending time with his grandchildren.

George is preceded in death by his parents, George and Mildred Hunrick, his first wife Anita Hunrick and his step son Kip Stoebner. He is survived by his wife Patsy Hunrick, son Blake Hunrick (Rose), daughter Brenda Van Rossum (Kirk) step daughters Kerry Stoebner (Chris Katzenbach), Beth Stoebner (David Worfolk), Sue Stoebner, Rosemary Stoebner, grandchildren Zachary and Chase Van Rossum, step grandchildren Clayton and Dashiell Worfolk, Ede Sullivan, Wolcott, Phoebe and Hugh Katzenbach, Katherine Stoebner and great-grand-daughter Oliva.

George will be laid to rest at the Sacramento Valley Memorial Cemetery on Thursday, January 8th. A celebration of life service will take place at the Woodbridge Country Club in Woodbridge at noon on Sunday, January 11. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Grizzly Youth Academy in his memory. Please send donations to the Grizzly Youth Academy, PO Box 3209, San Luis Obispo, CA 93403-3209; care of 2nd Lieutenant Fermin Barbosa.

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