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About four years ago, a small and unassuming volume made its appearance within the halls of Upsilon. It aroused interest within the Chapter. It awakened and bound even more tightly the bonds between active members and alumni. It quickened the life blood of the fraternity, and brought still closer the men of Sigma Pi. It began a dream of a greater fraternity at Westwood, and today, when its footprints are nearly lost in the sands of time, its effect is still felt... it was a Pioneer.

Since that time, other volumes have made their bow, each one finer and more pretentious than the last, and each one a Pioneer, bringing with it its measurement of accomplishment. If this volume can, with pride, take its place by the side of its predecessors, then we may consider that it has achieved its goal.

To one who has served his fraternity faithfully and well, to one who exemplifies the spirit of fraternalism which is the heritage of Sigma Pi, this book is respectfully dedicated.

-- Forward and dedication,
Upsilon Pioneer, June 1928

UAA Annual Meeting Sat., Feb. 20, 2021

WESTWOOD – The UAA annual meeting will be held on Sat., Feb. 20, 2021, via video due to covid-19 regulations that prohibit meetings of large groups. All alumni brother members are invited to attend.

All actions of the past year will be considered on the agenda for ratification by the quorum of members, and the following officers on the ballot are nominated for re-election: Executive Director and Secretary Pablo Rivas, President and Asst. Secretary Jay Ross, and Treasurer and Asst. Secretary Scott Scheffler.

Upsilon 100 Centennial Campaign (1923-2023)

Alumni have donated \$55,000 as part of our "Upsilon 100 Campaign, with the goal of raising \$100,000 for our Educational Scholarship Fund by 2023.

Those donations will celebrate 100 years of brotherhood– that means we need \$45,000 more in donations.

Our Joseph Marsalek Upsilon Chapter Educational Foundation has \$360,000, and generous alumni awarded 11 scholarships worth \$10,000 at last year's Founders Day.

We have invested your donations prudently to increase the endowment by \$220,000 – those are big returns!



As our beloved friend Joe Marsalek once said, *Stay off the roof and Donate now!*

Our goal is to raise \$100,000 from you the alumni. We hope that 100 alumni will each donate \$1,000 by 2023, so you have two more years to save that money.

Alumni generosity has been amazing in recent years. Our endowment had only \$60,000 just 13 years ago, and that amount was increased greatly by Ray Carlisle's bequest of \$50,000. Since then, the endowment has increased another \$250,000 because of generous alumni.

Donations to the Upsilon-Marsalek Fund are tax-deductible, and donors are recognized in the Pioneer and The Emerald. All donations to the Upsilon-Marsalek Fund are held in a segregated account for the exclusive benefit of our chapter. **See Centennial Campaign P2 →**



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Centennial Campaign (continued): Our National fraternity honors donors at the following levels of lifetime giving: Tau Phi Delta Society (\$50,000), Old Vincennes Society (\$25,000), Shadowwood Society (\$10,000) and Emerald Society (\$5,000).

Ray Carlisle, a 1930s alumnus, is our first Tau Phi Delta Society brother.

Past Sage David Finkel, is our first Old Vincennes Society brother.

Carl Moroney and Housing Board President Matt Sumrow advance to the Shaddowwood Society, joining William Meyer (Adytum on High).

Dr. Kent Shoji joined the Emerald Society members, which include Mark Helmick, Steven Schechter, Past Sage Brian Letourneau, Rob Webster, Tim Howell, Claude "Skip" Keyzers, Lt. Everett Rea (Adytum on High), Richard "Craig" Owens, Lt. Robert Rule, Joseph Marsalek (Adytum on High), Princeton Kim, Esq., and an anonymous donor.

Why should you donate? Steven Schechter, a recent Emerald Society brother said, "There are probably a few events/times that really resonated with me and made me realize how much the fraternity and my brothers mean to me.

"I remember Rob Webster's Seniors' Night. Rob talked about what Sigma Pi meant to him, how it contributed to him and his future -- everything he was as a man, everything he was as a person was molded and was due to Sigma Pi. The feeling stuck...

"I remember going to Convocation in Chicago (with Sage Larry Coval) and staying up in the Hotel bar until 4:00 am, talking to a bunch of other Sigma Pi's, including some members of the Grand Council. The bar was supposed to close at 2:00 am, but we talked them in to serving longer. Chicago rules, you know.

"I can still hear Finkel and Zippy, adding their own, magical touch to Beethoven while we memorized music for the final - Your mama, your mama, your mama's mama's mama's mama's.....mama....

"Along the way, I learned to get along with others, to see them for who they are and what they do. To find ways to have common ground to relate, no matter people's background and what differences we might have had. Truly a fellowship of kindred minds.

"Brothers have always been there for me, there when I needed someone to help me in a tough spot, there to celebrate successes, there to hang out and have a beer when we are in some random corner of the world.

"Those things have all contributed to my life, to my successes, the experiences I have had and the opportunities I have realized along the way in ways I can only hope to repay.

"So, I give what I can and when I can. Over time, it adds up. It will never really be equal, but hopefully, it means that someone else can have the opportunities that I got, have the brothers that I found along the way and know that there is always a place you can call home.



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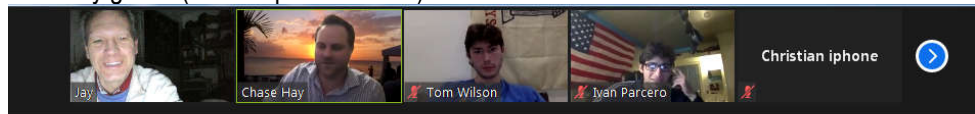


Andrew Fleming and
Sebastian Perkinson

Alumni Guest Speaker: Chase Hay

Chase Hay (Y2012) has traveled the world as a Renaissance man, and he regaled the active chapter with his multi-disciplinary adventures since graduation at Monday Night Meeting on Feb. 8.

Hay has been a big Bruins fan since his days as an active, following the baseball team to the College World Series in Omaha. He also knew players on the Bruin hockey team and was an honorary goalie (see the photos below).



UCLA Athletics



UCLA Hockey



UCLA Basketball



UCLA Baseball (World Series)



Playoffs

In the house, Hay was a proactive participant in the Moonshiner Water Wars, and may have been part of the McCoy team that doused the Greek Life director on campus with water balloons. He is also an innovative inventor, who installed the first Pick-Up Truck Swimming Pool on fraternity row, and he also developed the Whiskey Floatie, filling a pool float with booze and sipping it out through a straw. A similar concept is used in the BOW Pillow.

Innovations



Whiskey Floaties (OB)



Inflatable BOW Pillow



Pickup Truck Pool



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Save the Date: **Founders Day** **Feb. 26, 2022**

The 99th Founders Day will be on Sat., Feb. 26, 2022 (as always, it's the Saturday night AFTER Presidents Day).

Clear your calendar now, and don't get married or have kids' birthdays on this date, otherwise your wife will make you miss Founders Day every year.

See the upcoming Winter Pioneer for more information, or call Jay at (310) 979-9255 or Ross_Jay@Hotmail.com.

Upsilon website

Please register and update your profile on the UAA Alumni website www.SigmaPiBruins.com.

The login is your email address. Be sure to include your email address and photo in your profile when you register.

This enables us to contact you via email and reduce mailing costs, which saves money for house renovation, scholarships, events, etc.

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Chase Hay (continued):

Then, he and Michael Spiker also developed the "Sigma Plnk" clothing line that was sold to eager Little Sisters and sorority ladies.

Also at UCLA, Hay refined the academic strategy of not buying textbooks, and instead joining multiple study groups in each class, so

the other students could do the work and tutor him at weekly study sessions – a modern takeoff of the "divide and conquer" plan.

None of those inventions provided a direct professional career, but his thinking out-of-the-box mantra and enthusiasm for finding alternative solutions has served him well. He has worked as a band manager, music tour producer, business franchise expansion team, diversity expert and tech company marketer for a online car leasing company.

Hay's first job was training staff at Menchie's Yogurt, and then helping to expand franchises from 90 to 500 stores across the world, including some prime time in the Cayman Islands.

Hay next worked for High School Nation, which produced music festivals at schools across the country and partnered with music labels and sports leagues as sponsors. HSN brought singers to campus, and the sponsors would build a recording studio or weight room for the school. HSN also expanded into video production and broadcasting, and talked their way into high-profile events like the Emmys. One personal perk was tickets to the College Football Championship.

Always one to seek opportunity wherever it may lie, Hay also saved up his vacation time from one job, and then took off a month to be the tour manager for a friend's band.

Few are born as talented as Tiger Woods is in golf. Even Wayne Gretzky played other sports before finding his forte in hockey. So, most persons must chart their own path and seek opportunity. Hay has survived two rounds of layoffs at his current company but showing enthusiasm and building a broad resume with knowledge in marketing, operations, and human resources. He also volunteered for various social justice and diversity committees, on which his bosses serve (so those good deeds will pay off when it comes time for promotions and bonuses).

Hay also learned from Simon Sinek's talks about how to succeed. He explained that Apple became much more than computer company, and expanded into phones, music, and websites and television. Apple explained Why consumers should buy their products, i.e. enhance their lifestyle and be innovative. Conversely, most people think of Dell or Gateway as simply companies that sells computer hardware, and their other ventures have failed. All they could tell consumers was that their computers were reliable, ran quickly and were fairly prices.

▲ Video recommendation: Simon Sinek, How Great Leaders Inspire Action:
https://www.ted.com/talks/simon_sinek_how_great_leaders_inspire_action

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Upsilon Chapter Housing Assn.

The Upsilon Chapter Housing Association made some renovations recently.

The laundry was moved back downstairs next to the Dungeon, and the old upstairs laundry room will serve as a "sober room" and "ladies power room" during house parties and social events.

Future house improvements include new couches and dining room chairs.

Welcome to two new Housing Board members:

▲ Alfred Hernandez, a 1980-1990s brother who is active in the Houston Bruins alumni club, and recruiting for running backs among Texas high schools.

▲ Ben Marullo, a 2010s brother who lives in Austin, Tex.

Members: Matt Sumrow, President; Past Sage David Finkel, Treasurer; James Lipow; Jay Ross, UAA President; Josh Trifunovic, Chapter Advisor; Mike Liskey; Alfred Hernandez; Past Sage Stu Johnson, Esq.; Liron Nelik; Ben Marullo; Past Sage Tom Miller, President Emeritus; Arturo Martinez, Secretary Emeritus.

Alumni Guest Speaker: Dr. Chris Koutures

The fraternity man brought back beer to a dormitory that he had serendipitously acquired out on the street. The campus was supposed to be "dry," but using his deft spy skills, the brother clandestinely transferred the beer to his dorm room refrigerator. Or so he thought.

After a long day's work, the Upsilon brother looked forward to sharing a cold one with his roommate. But the door knocked. The supervisor said, "Get rid of it." Mission aborted.

The scene was not from Rieber Hall in the 1980s, when Jeff Bara and Dan Brent patrolled as C.S.O.'s, but at the Olympic Village in Beijing in 2008. However, the same anti-beer rules applied even for adults.

Dr. Chris Koutures complied, as the lawful ambassador of American goodwill that he is. He completed his trip to the Summer Olympics with 3 gold medals and 1 silver medal as the team doctor for the USA Men's and Women's Indoor Volleyball and Beach Volleyball teams.

Koutures spoke to the chapter on Feb. 22 about winning gold and protecting the health of youth athletes as a sports medicine specialist in Orange County.

Koutures was a kinesiology major at UCLA and roomed with Dan Brent at the house, learning to use Dan's early version of a Macintosh computer. He graduated from medical school at the Univ. of Wisconsin.

Koutures found his way back to sunny southern California to establish his practice in sports medicine, and he has been honored as a "Best of Orange County." He has been a team doctor for CSU Fullerton and manned high school football games on Friday Nights. A recent patient was Corona del Mar H.S. football legend and past Upsilon Second Councilor Nick Rackaukus, who graduated in 2020.

▲ Koutures was cited in a recent Los Angeles Times article about a Stanford volleyball player who suffered concussions from being hit by volleyballs during games. She had to abandon her career, and later went to UCLA for law school.

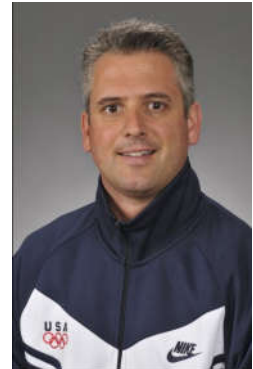
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In high school, Hodson says, she was diagnosed with her first concussion following volleyball hits to the head. Afterward, she suffered from insomnia and distorted vision, an account confirmed by Team USA doctor Chris Koutures, who treated her. She didn't play for more than a month; when she experienced vertigo and a tingling sensation in her first practice back, she was sidelined again until her symptoms subsided.

Ideally, Koutures says, athletes should not return to play until they are symptom-free. But in the middle of a season, he says, all of that can be challenging.

"There's pressure for athletes to get back," Koutures says. "It can be self-imposed, 'I don't want to miss the big game, so I will tell people what they want to hear.' Or it can be pressure from the team or coach."

Franklin said her impaired concentration and reaction time made it dangerous for her to continue playing volleyball, Hodson says. (Stanford doctors unaffiliated with the school's athletic department subsequently came to the same conclusion.) Koutures, the Team USA doctor who had treated Hodson in high school, recommended she medically retire.



KOUTURES, CHRIS
MEDICAL
2008 SUMMER OLYMPICS BEIJING



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Planned Giving

Your gift to the Upsilon Alumni Association will make the difference in the lives of many of our fellow Bruin Sigma Pi brothers through scholarships, leadership training and values-based education.

Many older alumni have included Upsilon in their estates, and younger alumni are encouraged to arrange for a bequest to Upsilon.

As you create your personal estate plans, please remember the value of your membership and pass along the belief to others.

Sample text for a will:

"I give and bequeath to the Upsilon Alumni Association, the sum of \$_____ to be used in fulfillment of educational purposes as the Upsilon Alumni Association shall determine." ΣΠ

Executive Council

Congratulations to Sage Tom Wilson and the new Executive Council for 2020-2021, who succeed Past Sage Shea Dennis.

▲ New officers:

Ciaran O'Neill, 1st Counselor
Alec Moutafov, 2nd Counselor.
Jack Zhao, 3rd Counselor.
Ivan Parcero, 4th Counselor.
Jason Li, Herald.



Alumni Guest Speaker: Nick North

Nick North works with his brother in selling and installing after-market parts for muscle cars in Orange County. North is both the brains and looks (see above photo) of the operation, TREPerformance. He studied computer science at UCLA, but during that time, he often wrenched on his car in the Upsilon Manor parking lot.

One year, North ordered muffler parts for his Mustang, but only half of the parts arrived on time. So, for a week, his deafening muffler woke up Westwood and eluded cops' sound sensors until the rest of the parts arrived.

After graduation, North worked for a year in I.T., and could have pursued that career into management. UCLA taught him various coding languages, but more importantly, it taught him how to strategically attack problems and design solutions. So, as computer languages changed, his overall vision could simple adjust to new lines of code.

North was less than enthused about office life, so he started helping his brother sell basic parts from their garage. He wasn't a car guy as a youth, but quickly found his niche. As the business matured, they sold more high-end, complex parts, such as superchargers to soup up the engines for domestic muscle cars (Buy American! They only sell products for Detroit cars).

North's brother works primarily in the garage on installations, while North manages purchasing, logistics and marketing. But, he can still turn a wrench or raise a lift any time.

As advertising moved to the internet, TREPerformance expanded its clientele nationwide, and North's computer science skills from UCLA have played a key role. He understands how internet algorithms work and how companies target and post advertisements, so he can quickly adjust advertising campaigns to attract a profitable clientele. During the Covid pandemic with people stuck at home, they have the time to work on their cars, and TREPerformance's business has boomed

As a result, North hasn't worn or suit or tie in 10 years (see above photo). His wife Calina recently gave birth to their first daughter, Adalyn, so working from home has helped his fathering skills.

▲ Website (order now!):

<https://treperformance.com/>





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Wyland (continued): He was quick with a quip, generous with his compliments, and always ready to for a dinner out or a bottle of fine wine. Family and friends alike treasured his wit, good humor, and his love of celebrations.

He is survived by Kathleen his beloved wife of 56 years; his children Christopher, Chantell, and Charmaine; daughter-in-law Diana, son-in-law Joe; his grandchildren Alexis, Summer, George, Amy and Lizzie, and his nieces Janet, Lisa, and Nancy.

A funeral service was held on Feb. 20.



Adytum on High

▲ Please remember the brothers who have passed to the Adytum on High:

Scott Bourquin - 1977 #801
(5/23/1990)

Albert Dunford - 1924 #19
(5/7/1993, Glendale)

Capt. Walter Wiewiora - 1964
#641 (2/17/1996, Pittsburgh)

Frank Jamison - 1960 #569
(1/25/1997, Orange County)

James Blaikie - 1949 #213
(7/4/2002)

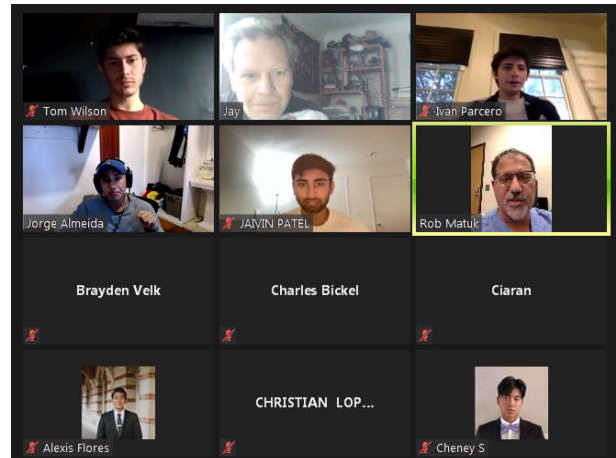
Alumni Guest Speaker: Dr. Robin Matuk

Dr. Robin Matuk (Y1996) advised the active chapter on how to stay health and get ahead in their future professional careers on Feb. 16. Matuk is a gastro-intestinal doctor in his hometown of Bakersfield, after a residency at Los Angeles' renowned Cedars Sinai Hospital and a fellowship in New Mexico.

Matuk also retired a Major in the U.S. Army after his 11 years in the National Guard, which included deployment in Iraq as a field surgeon.

Along with his medical work, Matuk also has pursued business opportunities. He is an equity partner in his private medical practice, and he is an investor in his medical office building. He explained the importance of building equity at a young age, to allow for financial security later in life.

Matuk also encouraged cancer screenings at a relatively young age. He has diagnosed colorectal cancers in persons in their early 20s, which is much younger than waiting until age 50.



Adytum on High: Dave Wyland



Dave Wyland # (2/4/1942-2/4/2021): Brother Wyland, a brilliant inventor and mentor in Silicon Valley, passed to the Adytum on High on Feb. 4, 2021, at age 78 in El Sobrante in northern California.

A resident of the Bay Area, he worked in Silicon Valley over 50 years. Wyland received his BS from UCLA in 1964 and worked full-time as an engineer and inventor right up to his last illness. He was a founding member of several tech startups and held more than 30 patents for leading-edge products. He was also active in the early Home Brew Computer Club and later the IEEE and Home Brew Robotics groups.

Wyland loved learning but even more he loved teaching and mentoring to ensure knowledge would be shared and spread.

Wyland relished having fun with his family and friends— among other things performing in the Gilbert and Sullivan Society of San Jose productions and horse-camping up in the Bay Area hills. At home he could be found re-watching favorite rom-coms and Disney movies—he was a sucker for a happy ending.

← **See Wyland to the left**





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Adytum on High

Alan Hanson - 1969 #711
(1/17/2003)
James McBroom - 1956 #498
(3/2003, Palm Desert)
Paul Hastings - 1970 #712
(12/7/2006, Boulder, Colo.)
Wesley Terry - 1950 #311 (Ukiah)
Leonard Eilers - 1953 #421
(6/29/06, Fair Oaks-Sacramento)
Alex West - 1949 #386.
William Sewell - 1950 #399
(1/2/2007, Danville-S.F. Bay)
James Ross - 1949 #342
(3/5/2007, Fullerton)
George Barlow - 1951 #390
(7/14/07, Monterey)
Doug Bergen - 1950 #354
(6/2/2007, La Jolla)
Oscar "Terry" Heselius - 1955
#476 (9/5/2007)
Claude Blakemore - 1932 #125
(11/24/06, San Diego)
Joseph F. Marsalek - 1954 #428
(11/21/07, Arcadia)
Ray Carlisle - 1939 #199
(11/25/07, Rancho Mirage)
John Selby - 1954 # 281 (8/1/07,
Lakewood)
Jay Van Holt - 1947 #369 (4/6/08,
Santa Rosa)
William Holmes - 1948 #381
(7/14/08, Woodland Hills-L.A.).
Dale Champion - 1947 #330
(7/24/08, San Francisco).
William Barnett - 1927 #41 (2009,
Cardiff by the Sea)
Roger Denney - 1954 #468
(1/12/09, Irvine).
Eugene Lica - 1940 #247 (1/20/09,
Tarzana).
Robert Thomas - 1940 #244
(1/28/09, San Marcos-S.Diego)
James Payton - 1949 #408
(6/13/2009, Rancho Mirage)
Raymond DeCamp - 1936 #157
(10/30/09, North Hills-L.A.)
Merle Swanson - 1954 #339
(2/26/09, Carlsbad-San Diego)
Dr. Elliott Brainard - 1948 #331
(2/26/09, Pahrump, Nev.)
James Payton - 1950 #408
(6/13/2009), Rancho Palos Verdes)
Charles Norman Reed - 1960
#570 (2/22/10, Pittsford, N.Y.)
Hon. John (Jack) Crickard - 1942
#240 (6/22/2010, Glendale)
John Kulli - 1940 #217 (7/26/10,
Pasadena)
Robert Smart - 1948 #233
(5/14/10, San Clemente).

Adytum on High: James Kerr



James Wiley Kerr Jr. #298 (8/4/1924-3/28/2019): Brother Kerr peacefully passed to the Adytum on High on Mar. 28, 2019, at age 94 in San Diego. He was a U.S. Navy veteran at the end of WWII and Upsilon's oldest brother, the final survivor with an initiation number in the 200s.

Kerr's loving family was by his side as he would have wanted. He was born on Aug. 4, 1924, at home on Woolman St. (now Ocean View Blvd) in San Diego to Anna C. and James W. Kerr Sr. He grew up in North Park and Ocean Beach, attending Brooklyn Elementary school and Point Loma Jr-Sr High School class of 1943.

Kerr joined the Navy Reserve V-1 program on Dec. 7, 1942, and after high school, he attended UCLA. He was sent to Hawaii in 1945 as the war was ending.

Kerr was honorably discharged in 1946 and sent back to California, where he promptly traveled to Catalina Island to propose to the love of his life, JoAnn Erhart. He had met JoAnn "Jody" at Presbyterian Church Camp Arbolado when she was 14 and he was 16. They were married on Aug. 2, 1946 in Los Angeles.

They lived in Avalon and Los Angeles while Kerr completed his Engineering degree, then moved to his hometown of San Diego. They were blessed with three daughters, Katherine (1947), Patricia (1950) and Elizabeth (1957).

Kerr worked with his father as a contractor, building many homes in the Ocean Beach and Point Loma area. In 1952, he began working for San Diego Gas & Electric Co. as an Engineer in the Building and Grounds department, which he later managed. His most memorable accomplishment was the construction of the SDG&E "Electric" building in downtown San Diego, which was one of the tallest buildings when it was completed in 1968.

Kerr retired from SDG&E in 1982. He and Jody loved boating and bought their first ski boat with two other couples in the 1950s. They enjoyed water skiing with their friends at Shelter Island on the weekends and joined the San Diego Yacht Club in 1962 after purchasing his first "yacht", the Rootin II.

He and Jody were fixtures on "G" dock then "H" dock. They enjoyed deep sea fishing and traveled to Avalon harbor every summer. They eventually joined the Catalina Island Yacht Club and had memorable times/parties every summer.

He and Jody loved to travel. They were always off in their 2nd boat the "Arbolado" or in their motorhome traveling across the country, visiting every state in the continental U.S. their daughter, Kathy, was a flight attendant, so they flew First Class for almost no cost. They often joked they could fly anywhere, but just couldn't stay very long. They also enjoyed cruising with friends and family and took the family on cruise trips to Mexico and Alaska.

▲ Kerr is survived by daughters, Patti (Bill) Horan, Betsy (Stephen) Lis; granddaughters, Eileen (Jasen) Mackenzie, Beth (Kris) Shaw and Amber Lis, grandsons, Kevin (Kathy) Yankton and Bill (Kelly) Horan and twelve great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by his wife, JoAnn, daughter, Kathy, and granddaughter, Kate. A family Memorial Service was held at Miramar National Cemetery on August 2, 2019. Gifts of Remembrance can be made to Rady Children's Hospital Peckham Center (www.helpsdkids.org).





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Adytum on High

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(7/25/10, Davis)
Greg Scott - 1968 #708 (10/17/10,
Chino Hills).
Ralph Scott - 1948 #327
(4/20/2011, Redondo Beach).
Glenn Smith - 1949 #335
(7/17/2011, Murfreesboro, Tenn.)
John Goodlad - 1953 #423
(9/4/2011, Corona del Mar).
Donald Kemp - 1956 #483
(9/11/2011, Cardiff-by-the-Sea)
Robert Lashbrook - 1954 #464
(10/2011, Palm Springs).
Gary Gross - 1989 #1062
(10/19/2011, Huntington Beach)
Fred Thornley - 1949 #368
(10/2011, Fullerton)
James Cochran - 1964 #620
(11/23/2011, Valencia).
Ltc. Ned Ramon Ash - 1950 #353
(4/15/2012, Huntsville, Ala.)
Don Gehring - 1955 #475 (5/2012,
Nipomo)
Lt. Donald Bullock - 1953 #419
(11/4/2012, Cornfield, Az.)
Andrew Fleming - 2010 #1393
(11/5/2012, Brawley)
Capt. David Van Saun - 1963 #647
(11/17/2012, Jacksonville, Fla.)
Allen Freeman - 1950 #304
(Medford, Ore.)
Walter Kuns - 1931 #131
(Inglewood)
Buckley Martin - 1960 #551
(2/25/2013, Auberry)
Garni Arakelian - 2009 #1453
(7/11/2013, Glendale)
Dario Sanchez - 1946 #324
(1/2/2013, Redondo)
William Gough - 1947 #360
(11/15/2013, Kihei, Haw.)
Kurt Kenworth - 1949 #495
(11/26/2013, Claremont)
Paul Hutton - 1960 #486 (11/2013,
Huntington Beach)
Charles Ward - 1952 #449
(2/4/2014, Sunnyvale)
Dr. Wallace Reed - 1937 #189
(3/7/2014, Phoenix, Az.)
Dorsey Brady, USMC - 1963 #776
(3/15/2014, Atlanta)
Alexander Riddell - 1958 #583
(7/2/2014, Santa Monica)
James Larry Ballard - 1962 #522
(8/4/2014, Fullerton)
Lt. Eugene Roche - 1953 #415
(11/16/2014, N.J.)
Eugene (Dye) Mitchell, USN -
1948 #273 (11/2014, Laguna
Woods)

Adytum on High: Lloyd King



Lloyd King. # (1937-10/2019): Brother King, a long-time judge and bankruptcy expert, passed to the Adytum on High in Oct. 2019, at age 82 in Honolulu. Born in Glendale, King graduated from UCLA, then received his law degree from UC Berkeley in 1965. He began the practice of law with the San Francisco firm of Rothschild Phelan King & Montali.

King was appointed to the federal bench in 1975, and served as a Bankruptcy Judge in the Northern District of California from until 1992. He was Chief Bankruptcy Judge for the last seven years of that time until his appointment as Bankruptcy Judge for the District of Hawaii in 1992.

King was Chief Judge in Hawaii until 2002, when he began working on recall status in Hawaii and the districts of Delaware and Nevada. He fully retired in 2016 after 41 years on the federal court bench.

King served on 9th Circuit Education Committees from 1981-1991, and he was a member of the Federal Judicial Center Bankruptcy Education Committee from 1989 through 1994, chairing the Committee in 1993-1994. He also served on the Bankruptcy Judges Advisory Group of the Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts.

As a member of the Ninth Circuit Education Committee, Federal Judicial Center Education Committee, and Bankruptcy Judges Advisory Group, King worked with the Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts and the Federal Judicial Center to develop a national continuing education program for newly appointed bankruptcy judges. He was a member of the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges and Federal Bar Association, a Judicial Member of the Maritime Law Association, and a Fellow of the American College of Bankruptcy.

King was well-regarded and respected, and known for his consideration, fairness and compassion for the people affected by the proceedings before him. The caseload under his jurisdiction included individuals, small businesses and large corporations, some with far reaching statewide, national and international implications.

In Hawaii, King was friends of brother Charles McCrary and his wife, Ann.

King enjoyed hiking, biking and kayaking in his prime and was a voracious reader and avid crossword and sudoku puzzler. One of his greatest pleasures was traveling with his wife, Mollie, and he completed his bucket list of visits to destinations all over the world.

King was steadfast in his love for his blended family of 4 children and 5 grandchildren.

▲ King is survived by siblings Lynne, Gary, Ginger and Michael. He is also survived by his children, Leslie, Dennis (Robert), Alison (Douglas), Dean (Kelly), and 5 grandchildren.



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UCLA Graduation Day 1983: Joe Henriksen with his wife and daughter Susan, one of his three AΦ sorority daughters.