

RogerFranklinJacobsen

December 16, 1940 - February 28, 2014 Resided in Dana Point, CA

Obituary

Roger "Jake" Jacobsen

Jake was born December 16, 1940 in Jeffers, Minnesota. Jake is the only child of Russell and Ruth Jacobsen.

He is preceded in death by his wife of 47 years Carmen (Thomas) Jacobsen and his parents Russell L. Jacobsen and Ruth (Hawkins) Jacobsen. He has left behind his daughter Rochelle (Jacobsen) Butler of Providence, RI, his son and daughter-in-law David and Marie Jacobsen of Minneapolis, MN. He also has three grandsons, John, Jordan and Jacob Butler, all of Providence, RI.

Jake graduated from Fargo High School in 1958. He started college and married Carmen Thomas, his high school sweetheart, in 1960. He graduated from Valley City State University in Valley City, ND in 1963. He accepted a teaching position at Sequoia Junior High in Fontana, CA.

Jake taught and coached at the junior high level for 17 years. He spent the next 19 years as a junior high assistant principle, principle, high school assistant principal and principle all for the Fontana School District.

In 1999, Jake and Carmen retired and moved to Dana Point where he enjoyed fishing, playing horse shoes, and working in his garden. His favorite place to be was the beach. The next few years were spent traveling and enjoying life. In 2002 Carmen died from kidney failure.

In 2008 Jake reunited with an old family friend, Elene Smith, who he spent the remainder of his years with. In 2010, Jake was diagnosed with lymphoma. He went through several years going through chemo and radiation. Jake fought so hard to be the winner of cancer but lost his fight on February 28, 2014.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Jake's name to the Jimmy V cancer research foundation.