



Edward A. Manning

Jun. 21, 1942 to Jan. 18, 2020

Resident of Aptos

After a courageous ten month battle with brain cancer, Ed Manning passed away peacefully on January 18th surrounded by his loving family.

A native of Idaho, Ed spent most of his childhood in Fresno, where he graduated from Bullard High School and Fresno State College with a BS in Chemistry. He lived in Aptos for the past 43 years.

Ed served in the California Air National Guard as an F-102 pilot. As a United Airlines pilot, he flew the world for 33 years. His passion for flying included private, military, and commercial aircraft. Retirement was spent continuing his travels throughout the world.

He was a member of the Santa Cruz County Democratic Party, the California State Democratic Party Executive Board, the Retired United

Pilots Association, and the Quiet Birdmen. He was known as Grumpy EZ to his many European pilot friends and members of the Grumpy Pilots & Aircraft Owner's Group, "The Grumpy Gang". As a member of his community, Ed volunteered for the Santa Cruz County Sheriff's Department and for the restoration of Valencia Hall in Aptos. Above all, he cherished the time spent with his six beloved grandchildren.

Ed was preceded in death by his parents John and Ida Marie Manning and his brother, John Dennis Manning. He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Patricia, children Eileen Manning-Villar (Jesse Villar), Michael Manning (Beth), Ryan Manning (Nathalie), Richard Manning (Yurie), precious grandchildren: Ellis, Katie, Sarah, Shannon, Kieran, Andrew and siblings Marilyn Bowles (Nick), Richard Manning (Jean) and Kathleen Murray (Patrick).

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to St. Andrew Presbyterian Church, PO Box 374, Aptos, 95001, the John E. Manning and Ida Marie Manning Scholarship Fund, c/o Fresno County Democratic Women's Club, PO Box 5055, Fresno CA 93755, and Hospice of Santa Cruz County.

Ed was laid to rest on January 29th in a private ceremony at Santa Cruz Memorial Park. A celebration of Ed's life will be held on Saturday, February 8th at 11 am at St. Andrew Presbyterian Church, 9850 Monroe Avenue, Aptos.

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