



William A. Temple

December 11, 1933 - March 23, 2018

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William (Bill) Albert Temple, 84, passed away peacefully at his home in Benicia, CA surrounded by his family.

Bill was born in Pasadena, CA to Carl and Marcia (Livingston) Temple. He is survived by his loving wife, Gail of 33 years; his sister, Phyllis Slade; nieces, Carleen (Slade) Dickey and Paula (Slade) Mudge; sons, Carl (Samm), Wade, Bill II (Janet) and Scott Pollock; daughter, Teri (Pollock) Keeney; and grandchildren, Jennifer Temple, Ashley (Jeremy) Edwards, Brendan and Dylan Keeney, and Logan and Delaney Temple.

Bill served in law enforcement in the state of California for over 40 years, retiring from the Benicia Police Department in 1996. He was a leader, mentor and educator in many law enforcement positions in the counties of Contra Costa, Solano and other Bay Area cities. He also had several special assignments for the State of California and Federal agencies. Bill served the City of Benicia during a period of rapid growth in which its population more than doubled and the need for new law enforcement operational practices grew. He was a firearms expert and championed many gun and safety procedures. He was the oldest person to join the Benicia Police Department's SWAT team.

He had a great passion for the outdoors, hunting and fishing. He enjoyed planning trips across California and other states with his sons and friends. He loved to cook and share his chef techniques, which his grandchildren still enjoy today. In retirement, Bill and Gail traveled to Mexico, including a trip to Mazatlan and cruises to Mexico. They also took trips to the Caribbean, Panama Canal and several European cities.

Bill's biggest joy was spending time with his family. He was very proud of them and loved them all dearly. He also enjoyed spending time with his friends and going to the Benicia Yacht Club.

His family requests, in lieu of flowers, contributions be made to Benicia Police Officers Association, 200 E L Street, Benicia, CA or Soroptimist's of Benicia, Women's Resources, Kathy Griffin, 897 Bolton Circle, Benicia CA.

A celebration of life for Bill will be April 14 at 2:00 p.m. at the Benicia Yacht Club, 400 E 2nd St.

Cremation and arrangements entrusted to the direction and care of Passalacqua Funeral Chapel, Benicia (707) 745-3130. www.PassalacquaFuneralChapel.com

Events

APR **Celebration of Life** 02:00PM

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Benicia Yacht Club

400 East 2nd Street, Benicia, CA, US, 94510

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“ Dearest Gail and family,
Words can't describe how heartbroken we were to hear of your beloved Bill's passing. I first met him in the Benicia court when we came to hear cases every Thursday. Bill was always so professional and helpful and kind.
Later we all became very close friends and shared so many wonderful times together, which we will cherish always.
We are so sorry to miss Bill's Celebration of Life on the 14th, but we will be with you in spirit in honoring an awesome man.
All our love and deepest sympathy.
Jill & Craig Hodges

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