



Bradley J. Francis

December 20, 1946 - May 16, 2023

Bradley J. Francis passed away peacefully on Tuesday, born to Lawrence and Claire Francis in Alameda, California on December 20th, 1946. He spent his early years in Hayward, Rodeo, and Pittsburg. In 1961 he earned a life time Eagle Scout award known as the Order of the Arrow. Brad was extremely proud of his Father's military service during World War II. He joined the Christian Brothers at Mount LaSalle for 20 years teaching at San Joaquin Memorial High School in Fresno, and Sacred Heart High School in San Francisco. Later he joined his St. Patrick's-St. Vincent's High School community in Vallejo for 27 years teaching Religious Studies, AP US and World History and became a vice Principal supervising teachers and curriculum development . As an educator Brad was well-respected and loved by his students and colleagues. Highly educated Brad earned a BA from St. Mary's College in Liberal Arts, Class of 1970, an MA from St. Mary's College in 1984 and a MA in Culture and Spirituality from Holy Names College in 1986 where he met Karen his true love of 34 years. His hobbies included cooking & baking, especially desserts and homemade bread. His true love of traveling showed his life long love of sharing experiences with others. Not only was he well-educated academically, but the man was also very knowledgeable and handy at fixing things and helping others!

Bradley is survived by his wife Karen, his sister Jeannette and brother-in-law David Olson, and several nieces and nephews.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at St. Dominic Catholic Church, 475 East I Street, Benicia on Tuesday, May 30th at 11:00 a.m. followed by a reception at SPSV High School, 1500 Benicia Road in Vallejo. Internment will be private.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to UCSF Foundation: PO Box 45339, San Francisco, CA 94145 or makeagift.ucsf.edu ,select kidney disease.

Previous Events

Mass of Christian Burial

MAY 30. 11:00 AM (PT)

St Dominic's Catholic Church
475 E I St
Benicia, CA 94510
(707) 747-7220

Tribute Wall

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“ *Seeing Brad in his Panama Hat always brought a smile to us. Hearing his voice was calming. Seeing his smile was heartwarming and a joy. Receiving a gift of his cookies at holidays was like Santa REALLY coming down the chimney. You will be missed terribly, Brad. Karen and Lon Reed*

Karen Reed - May 20, 2023 at 11:02 PM

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“ *I have a lot of memories with Brad the years he lived in Fresno teaching at San Joaquin Memorial. He will be missed! Cousin Geri*

Geri Tolladay - May 19, 2023 at 09:44 AM