



Timothy J. Heney

July 18, 1948 - February 14, 2023

Tim Heney, a longtime resident of Benicia, died peacefully after a courageous battle with cancer. The son of John and Adeline Heney, he was raised in Alhambra where he attended St Theresa's Parochial School. In 1962 he enrolled in La Salle Prep, a Christian Brothers school in Pasadena, where he was French Club president as well as a member of the Student Council and the Glee Club. He entered the Christian Brothers Novitiate at Mt. La Salle in 1966, and attended St Mary's College as a student brother the following year. After leaving the Brothers, he continued his musical education at St Mary's and at Holy Name College. He then obtained an advanced degree in musical therapy at the University of the Pacific.

After college, Tim spent his career as a music teacher at KI Jones and Cleo Gordon Elementary Schools, both in Fairfield. Over the years, he shared his love of music to thousands of students, inspiring music teachers, rappers, symphony musicians, and music therapy teachers. Throughout this time and after retirement, he was the choir director for the 11am mass at St Dominic's Church in Benicia.

In 2009, he volunteered at Kaiser Permanente Vallejo as a mentor to young adults in the Project Search Program which taught life skills for greater independence, such as filling out job applications, interviewing, and obtaining driver licenses. He also volunteered with Saint Vincent DePaul Society Food

Bank. He was a member of the Benicia Historical Society.

One of his most treasured moments was becoming a Knight of the Noble and Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulcher of Jerusalem in 1994, and later making a Knight's pilgrimage to the Holy Land.

A devoted son, brother, uncle, godfather, and friend, Tim's geniality formed a buoyant and bracing atmosphere for those who knew him. He was an avid gardener at his beloved Craftman bungelow and secret "Quattro Fontane" garden where many a glass of wine was shared. He loved traveling, with extensive travels including Italy, Portugal, Britain, Russia, and Mexico. And he loved music in all forms.

He is survived by his sisters Joanne Brown (Adron Brown), Mary Lou Casias (Bob Casias), nieces Michele Casias and Alyson Binder (Marty Binder), and nephew Mark Casias (Luz Casias). He is also survived by great nieces Logan and Sienna Binder, Sofia and Elia Casias, and great nephews Isaac and Max Casias. He is also survived by his godson Vincent Collins.

In lieu of flowers, donations to the Music Ministry at St Dominic's Catholic Church in Benica, CA are appreciated.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **23**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (PT)

Passalacqua Funeral Chapel
901 W Second Street
Benicia, CA 94510
(707) 745-3130
info@passalacquafuneralchapel.com
<https://www.passalacquafuneralchapel.com>

Vigil Service

FEB **23**. 5:00 PM (PT)

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

Mass of Christian Burial

FEB **24**. 11:00 AM (PT)

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Benicia, CA 94510
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Tribute Wall

PK

“ Dear Friends and Family of Tim. I am sorry for your loss. Tim was a good friend of mine and above all of my godparents in Napa Valley. We travelled to Rome together on pilgrimage and had a wonderful vacation with many activities in the Vatican. Tim was a kind, loving, charming, erudite man. We shared our love of the Catholic faith and our beautiful liturgy. Best regards, patrick kraft, carmel, ca

patrick kraftg - April 06, 2023 at 05:43 PM

AC

“ Thank you for your generosity and being the hands of Jesus when you were here on earth. Vincent was so blessed to have you as his god father. Aireen(OCB)

Aireen Choy - February 23, 2023 at 11:51 AM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Timothy J. Heney.



February 21, 2023 at 08:14 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Timothy J. Heney.



February 21, 2023 at 06:47 PM

LA

“ Love, Joanne and Adron purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Timothy J. Heney.



Love, Joanne and Adron - February 20, 2023 at 03:42 PM

ME

“ Dearest friend, confidant, pal - you are now with your heavenly choir and we shall miss your person and your beautiful music. What great and not so great times we have shared! But through it all we kept our faith and our good humor. I'm sorry your illness took you from us much too soon. I shall drink a special toast to our friendship as you enjoy the eternal rest you devoted your life to. Go with God, Tim. Know you are in our hearts.....
Marie Earp

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Marie Earp - February 15, 2023 at 06:49 PM