

ROBERT “BOB” G. NOVOA

December 1, 1943 – April 8, 2015

Robert “Bob” G. Novoa, 71, passed away on April 8, 2015 peacefully in his home with his wife, Patty by his side in Newman, California.

Bob was born in Los Angeles, California on December 1, 1943. He graduated from Morro Bay High School, worked for Harry Amsel at Breakers Cafe and continued his education at Southern California College of Watchmaking and Watchmakers of Switzerland Training and Educational Program (WOSTEP). After completing WOSTEP, he served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War.

Bob married Patty “Hot Lips” Hieronymus on May 1, 1971 they were married 43 years. He was blessed with 2 “bonus”

children, Gary, age 4 and Kim, age 2. In 1972, his son, Clifford was born. In 1973, he started his own business Novoa Jewelers in Newman, California.

He enjoyed bicycling, traveling, Geocaching with his grandchildren, paintballing with his sons, Cliff and Gary, bicycling with his son-in-law, John, skiing, fishing, numerous bike rides with his group of bicycling buddies.....

Bob was a beloved member of the Newman community. He coached the Pee Wee Gold Team, was involved with Newman Rotary, Newman Moose Lodge, City Council, Chamber of Commerce, Newman Planning Commission, Newman Recreation Commission, Architectural Review Committee, Toys for Tots, Flag Day and Lion’s Club.

He is survived by his wife, Patty, his children and their spouses, Cliff and Terri Novoa, Kim and John Avelar, Gary and Melissa Hieronymus, his 10 grandchildren a/k/a the “Wild Bunch”, Sara, Zac, Kelsea, Gary, Kalie, Austin, Kortlyn, Gavin, Alexa and Khloe, his sisters: Patty and Sandy (Fred); his brothers: Ralph, Phillip (Michelle), and Ron (Patty), several nephews, nieces, countless friends and his beloved spoiled rotten cat “Cookie.”

Bob touched the lives of many people with his smile and generosity, and maintained his trademark sense of humor all the way to the end. Friends and family are invited to attend a “Celebration of Bob’s Life” on Friday, April 17, 2015 from 11 am - 2 pm at the Westside Theatre in Newman. A viewing will be held on Thursday, April 16, 2015 from 5 pm - 7 pm at Hillview Funeral Chapel, Newman. A private Interment will be held on Monday, April 20 at Goleta Cemetery in Santa Barbara.

In lieu of flowers, the family request that any donations be made to Bob’s Bikes for Kids, c/o Bank of the West, 945 Fresno Street, Newman, California 95360, a charity for bicycles and helmets for children. A passion that Bob held so dearly to his heart.

Services conducted by Hillview Funeral Chapel, Newman.

