



Carl Wellington Smith

September 13, 1941 - January 16, 2023

Carl Wellington Smith, of Santa Rosa CA, passed away on January 16, 2023 at 81 years of age. He was predeceased by his son David Stewart Smith, and will be lovingly remembered by his wife of 57 years, Mary Ellen Smith of Santa Rosa, his son Jason Craig Smith of Sacramento, his daughter Cera Alecia Stinson of Santa Rosa, and his grandchildren Evan Robert Marquez of Arcata, Alexandra Claire-Beth Smith of San Francisco, Jacob Carl Marquez of Santa Rosa, and Slate James Stinson of Santa Rosa. Carl was also a beloved brother, brother-in-law, uncle, cousin, and friend.

Carl was born in Des Moines, Iowa on September 13th, 1941. He moved to Northern California at two years old when his father was in the Navy during WWII. Later he moved with his mother and two sisters to Long Beach, CA where he spent the remainder of his childhood. Carl worked as a Deputy Marshal for the county of Los Angeles, was a member of the Air National Guard, and was called to active duty during the Tet Offensive. He graduated from Western State University in Fullerton, CA with his Juris Doctorate and practiced as an attorney in Santa Rosa, CA for many years. He also served as a Judge Pro Tem for the Sonoma County Courts early in his career when there were many courthouses in Sonoma County.

Carl was active in the First United Methodist Church, the Boy Scouts of America, Job's Daughters and was an active member of the community. He was an avid outdoorsman and family man, sharing his love of nature with his

children by teaching them to hike, backpack, windsurf, mountain bike, ski, and run. Carl loved sports, and was a loyal fan of the San Francisco 49'ers and the Giants.

Carl will be fondly remembered for his wonderful sense of humor, his love of life, his love of music, his dedication to his career and his devotion to his family and friends. We will love and miss you.

Special thanks to Memorial Hospice for their skilled and loving care, enabling us to honor Carl's wishes and keep him home with family.

Carl's celebration of life will be held at First United Methodist Church on March 18th at 2pm

1551 Montgomery Drive

Santa Rosa, CA 95405

Reception to follow.

In lieu of flowers, Carl has requested donations to the First United Methodist Church Foundation of Santa Rosa, in support of youth scholarships.

Donations to Multiple Sclerosis Foundation and Shriners Hospital are also welcome.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

MAR 18. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (PT)

First United Methodist Church
1551 Montgomery Drive
Santa Rosa, CA 95405
<https://www.fumcsantarosa.org/>

Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Mary, David Charp here. My condolences. I remember Carl for our years together, and you and David. I remember your mom (I forgot her first name), and your dad Gale and sister Ruth. Everyone was always nice to me and I am sorry for your loss. David Charp, M.D.

David Charp - March 06, 2023 at 01:11 PM

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“ God bless you Uncle Carl and may you rest in peace. God bless the rest of the family as well in these difficult times. I'm thankful for Carl teaching me how to forgive and how to rise above bitterness, to forgive so that I myself can be forgiven. He taught me to be closer to God and to lean on Jesus Christ for strength and personal peace. Again RIP Uncle Carl, love your niece Patti Dobbs

Patricia Dobbs - March 05, 2023 at 05:15 PM

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“ I knew Carl as a fellow lawyer. He was a good, honest lawyer with integrity. I wish peace in the hearts of his family. Michael Miller

michael Miller - March 05, 2023 at 01:25 PM