



Walter 'Walt' E. Plegel

August 27, 1934 - January 29, 2016

WALTER E. PLEGEL, 81, A RESIDENT OF PLACENTIA FOR OVER 50 YEARS, DIED ON JANUARY 29, 2016. HE WAS BORN ON AUGUST 27, 1934 TO FRANCIS AND CARL PLEGEL OF FULLERTON HE WAS RAISED ON A RANCH IN ORANGE WHERE HE ATTENDED SCHOOL AND GRADUATED FROM ORANGE HIGH SCHOOL IN 1952. HE SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY. HE MARRIED MAUREEN O'CONNOR ON NOVEMBER 2, 1957 IN PITTSBURGH, PA. WALT PURSUED HIGHER EDUCATION, ULTIMATELY RECEIVING HIS CLU, SERIES 7 AND OTHER PROFESSIONAL DESIGNATIONS. HE WAS A PROFESSIONAL IN THE INSURANCE INDUSTRY FOR OVER 50 YEARS AND WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN STARTING AND LEADING SEVERAL INSURANCE PROFESSIONAL GROUPS IN ORANGE COUNTY AS WELL AS BEING THE RECIPIENT OF MULTIPLE INSURANCE INDUSTRY AWARDS. HE WAS AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE ANAHEIM ROTARY, U.S. POWER SQUADRON, AND THE HOLLYWOOD YACHT CLUB. HE WAS INVOLVED IN ST. JOSEPHS CHURCH OF PLACENTIA, WHERE HE SERVED AS AN USHER AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTER FOR MANY YEARS. HE WAS A TEACHER AND A MENTOR TO MANY. HE WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN DEVELOPING A PROGRAM TO PROVIDE CLEAN WATER WELLS IN AFRICA. WALT WAS A SPORTSMAN WHO LOVED BOATING, FISHING, HUNTING AND SPENDING QUALITY TIME WITH HIS FAMILY AND HIS GRANDKIDS. HE AND MAUREEN ENJOYED TRAVELING TO EXOTIC AND

INSPIRING LOCATIONS AROUND THE WORLD. WALT IS SURVIVED BY HIS LOVING WIFE OF 58 YEARS MAUREEN, HIS DAUGHTER LYNN, HIS SON MICHAEL, AND HIS SISTER JEANETTE SPEAKE. HE HAD TWO GRANDSONS, RYAN AND KRISTOPHER. HE WAS PRECEDED IN DEATH BY HIS PARENTS AND SON JOHN.

VISITATION WILL BE ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5TH, 2016 STARTING AT 7:00 PM WITH A ROSARY PRAYER SERVICE AT MEMORY GARDEN MEMORIAL PARK, 455 W. CENTRAL AVE., BREA, CA 92821.

SYMPATHY CARDS, WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT, WELL WISHES OR CONDOLENCES CAN ALSO BE POSTED TO THE MEMORY GARDENS MEMORIAL PARK FACEBOOK PAGE.

DONATIONS IN LIEU OF FLOWERS CAN BE SENT TO THE ST. JOSEPHS CHURCH OF PLACENTIA, BUILDING FUND.

Tribute Wall



“ *Very sorry to hear the news about Walt. He will be missed by the community. If there is anything I can do for you, Maureen, don't hesitate to call me. I will ask that our next city council meeting be closed in his memory.*

Connie Underhill - February 09, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *Rest in piece, Walt.....Fred Burnette OHS, Class of 55'*

February 08, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *So sorry to hear of Walt's passing. He was such a professional! We will miss his input at the Elite Group meetings.*

Wally Clark - February 04, 2016 at 12:00 AM