



Daniel Jay Rhoades

November 24, 1930 - December 30, 2019

Daniel Jay Rhoades was born on November 24, 1930 in Omaha, Nebraska and entered into rest on December 30, 2019 in Fremont, California at the age of 89.

Daniel is survived by his beloved wife Wanda C. Rhoades. Loving father to Cindy, Cameron, Cori, Candi, Chari, Shiryn, Natalie and Danny Jr. Caring grandfather to Ian, Vanesa, Nathaniel, Travis, Kaleh, Sage, Danielle, Jeramiah, Donovan, McKennah, Kai, Elliannah, Anthony and Christopher. Adoring great-grandfather to Rowen, Reed, Ryder, Matali and Chandrachur uncle to Matt, Adam and Morgan. Loving brother to Rosie, Pearl and Betty. Brother in-law to David Schermerhorn and sister in-law Patricia Schermerhorn. Predeceased by daughter Connie.

Dan spent his early years in Nebraska, graduating from Central High in Omaha, Nebraska. He received his M.S. in Civil Engineering in the late 1950s from Georgia Tech, and was a Georgia Tech member of Chi Epsilon, a Civil Engineering honor society. He completed additional degree work at Stanford in the 1960s. He was a member of the California Society of Professional Engineers. He became a California licensed civil engineer in 1966, and had been a California licensed geotechnical engineer since 1987. Early engineering work included Cernco in Anchorage, Alaska, and Earth Systems, Inc. in Oakland, California. In 1971, Dan was a principal of Gribaldo, Jacobs, Jones and Associates, which later became Gribaldo, Jones and Associates. In 1971, he became president of Testing and Controls, a materials testing firm based in Sunnyvale. In 1975, he formed Purcell-Rhoades. He started Purcell Rhoades and Associates in Pleasanton Hill, in 1975. A separate firm named the PRA Group, Inc. was established in 1988 in Hayward and Pleasant Hill.

Daniel enjoyed hunting, fishing, flying, traveling, gardening and especially family vacation.

He will be missed by all of us!

A Memorial Service will be held Saturday, February 22, 2020 at 1:30 PM at Center for

Spiritual Living San Jose, 1195 Clark Street, San Jose, CA 95125.

Events

FEB **Memorial Service** 01:30PM

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Center for Spiritual Living San Jose
1195 Clark Street, San Jose, CA, US, 95125

Comments



“ I worked for Dan in the early 90s. As a young engineer he gave me chance to learn the profession and begin a long career in geotechnical engineering. Dan was always full of life and lived it the fullest

Dan O'Connell PE GE

Daniel O'Connell - October 09, 2020 at 04:24 PM



“ I'm so sorry to hear of Dan's passing. My sincerest condolences to his family.

Brand Burfield - April 30, 2020 at 05:48 PM



“ His Purcell, Rhoades Family, Joanne, Dean & Joe purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Daniel Jay Rhoades.



Joanne Greaves - February 18, 2020 at 04:54 PM



“ Dan sat me down one night and we talked about the true meaning of family. We discussed just about every subject you could imagine. But what really stuck was how nothing really seemed to matter if u didnt have family. Toss out all the clutter of fighting and such. All that doesnt matter. Your family is not always about bloodlines. Its who you choose to be in your life. He was such a great man. He will be greatly missed and forever in the hearts off all who knew him. My heart goes out to his loving family

Yvette Simmons - January 13, 2020 at 06:21 PM



“ Yvette, those were very nice words thank you for sharing your memory of Dan. His bro, DavidS.

David Schermerhorn - January 19, 2020 at 09:46 AM



“ I have such fond memories of spending time with Dan and his family over the past 60 years. It's hard to believe that he is now gone from this earth but a blessing to know that he is resting in Heaven for eternity. My prayer is that his family will remember all the good times and those thoughts will help to sustain them through their loss.

Mary Kiplinger - January 11, 2020 at 02:25 PM



“ I would like to send my condolences to each and everyone of you . He lived a great life. May he Rest In Peace.



Jane Amador - January 11, 2020 at 01:56 PM



“ I met your family on a carnival cruise during Thanksgiving, 1988 and spent the following summer at your home, which was being built. I didn't know your father well, but my memory of that entire summer remains one I'll never forget. Natalie, Candi, and I spent so much time running up the stairs and back and forth while your dad was working in his office. He never yelled at us for being so rambunctious (maybe once), but I'd like to think he rather enjoyed all our chatter and Shenanigans. He must have been an amazing man to put up with us! So sorry for your loss. My deepest sympathies to your family.

Love,
Kelley (Andruss) Hix
Olympia, WA

Kelley Hix - January 11, 2020 at 12:26 AM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Daniel Jay Rhoades.



January 10, 2020 at 08:38 PM