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John Briggs De Garmo



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John (Jack) De Garmo passed away peacefully in his sleep at Tender Touch Residential Care in Walnut Creek on January 17th, at 87 years old. He joins his wife of 57 years, Ann De Garmo, who died April 11, 2011. John was the son of Margaret (Briggs) and Kenneth De Garmo and is survived by his sister Jeane Brown of Granville Ohio, and three children (and spouses) Lori Prince (Robert Hum), Bill De Garmo (Maureen) and Bob De Garmo (Lisa), all Bay Area residents. Additionally he is survived by four grandchildren Melody Prince, Brian, Michael, and Matthew De Garmo.

John was born in Evanston, Illinois and also resided in Rockford, Illinois and Edina, Minnesota prior to moving to California in 1967. He was a long time resident of Orinda before moving to Walnut Creek in 2006. John attended Hamilton College in New York and graduated from Northwestern University in Illinois in 1946 with a degree in Mechanical Engineering. He worked for Mobil Oil Corporation for a number of years before retiring from full time work. John was active in the Episcopal church as a Lay Reader and Eucharistic Visitor and committed to outreach activities, often visiting residents of nursing homes. For over 20 years he served in leadership roles in Camps Farthest Out (CFO), a group of nondenominational Christian retreats across the US. John loved music and at one time sang barbershop harmony with a local chapter of SPEBSQSA.

A memorial service will be held at St. Stephens Episcopal Church, 66 Saint Stephen Drive in Orinda on Saturday February 18th at 3:00 PM. For those wishing to make a contribution in his honor, consider a gift to St Stephen's Episcopal Church memorial fund. For friends and

family, an online guestbook and picture gallery is available on this site: princehum.org

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