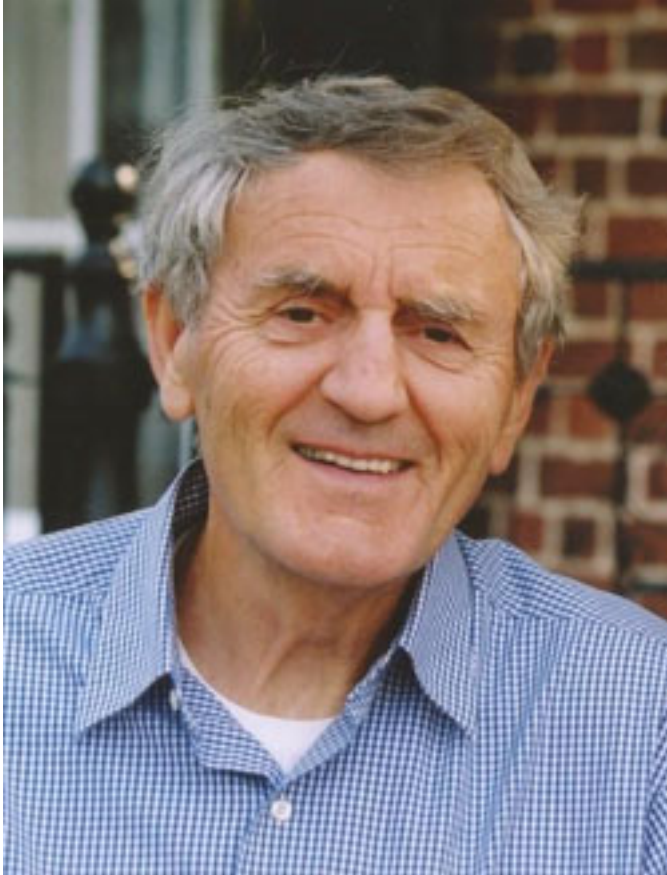


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Ralph Uhrig



Ralph Uhrig of Orinda, California passed away peacefully after a brief battle with cancer on October 29th at the age of 81. Ralph was born and raised in Bellingham, Washington. After serving in the U.S. Army during the Korean War, Ralph attended Western Washington University where he met his wife of 56 years, Betty. After graduation, the couple established their home in Northern California. They have been residents of Orinda for the past 53 years. Ralph was a teacher with the Oakland Unified School District where he taught wood shop, drafting and math for 22 years while also earning his Master's Degree in Education at the University of California, Berkeley. A gifted woodworker, Ralph parlayed that skill into a second career, founding Uhrig Construction Company in 1980. Ralph is survived by his wife, Betty; children Heidi Guest of Paradise Valley, AZ, Katherine Merhige of Afton, VA and Robert Uhrig of Valencia, CA; sons-in-law Monte Guest and Robert Merhige; daughter-in-law, Julie; grandchildren Caitlin, John, Lauren, Beau, Nicholas, Caroline and Avery; and his sister, Marian Boe of Bellingham, Washington. A memorial service will be held on Monday, November 10th at 2pm at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, 66 St. Stephen's Drive, Orinda, CA 94563. The family is grateful for those who wish to make a

contribution to Hospice of The East Bay; 3470 Buskirk Avenue; Pleasant Hill, CA 94523.

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