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Lawrence (Larry) Randall Park



Dec. 11, 1962 - Nov. 24, 2021

Lawrence Randall Park ("Larry Park") passed suddenly Nov. 24, 2021 at the age of 58 in San Rafael, California, preceded in 2020 by father Brian Lee Park, survived by mother Lesley Sue Park, brother Robert Alexander Park, and niece Katharina Park. Lawrence was born Dec. 11, 1962 at Alta Bates Hospital in Berkeley and his first home as a baby was 19 Cambridge Way, Piedmont. Lawrence was often called "Larry" by family and friends. Lawrence was a graduate of Orinda Intermediate School and Miramonte High School in Orinda. He then went to work for the San Francisco Chronicle newspaper company. Traveling and meeting new people was part of his job at the Chronicle and he liked that his job took him all over northern California. All through his life Lawrence was close with his brother Robert, riding bicycles together as kids. An example of a big adventure as a kid was Lawrence and Robert bicycling from Orinda to the Lafayette Reservoir, around the Reservoir, and then back home to Orinda, a bicycle trip of about 15 miles. The bigger adventures that Lawrence undertook with his brother as adults included trips to Alaska, Mexico, and New York.

Lawrence lived in Marin County for 35 years and had a special love for the place, not wanting to live anywhere else. He loved his niece, Katharina, and enjoyed visiting her at UC Santa Cruz. He was very proud of her. One of Katharina's favorite memories was giving Lawrence a campus tour of UC Santa Cruz last year. Lawrence

always displayed great enthusiasm when his niece shared her school achievements with him. Lawrence enjoyed when Katharina, her mother Esther Park, and Robert all spent time with him in Marin County.

Lawrence loved classic cars and classic car shows, owned a couple himself, and was an avid film buff. He and his brother went to many classic car shows over the years. He would see a new film at the movie theatre almost every month with his brother. Since they were kids, he and his brother always went to the theatre to watch the latest James Bond or Star Wars movie. Larry was known for his love of humor and loved to laugh and enjoyed a good comedy. He also loved music and never passed on a good concert. He enjoyed learning classic rock power chords on his electric guitar. When he saw comedy and classic rock combined in the musical, "Rock of Ages," he thought it was one the funniest things he had ever seen. He also enjoyed a good Sharks ice hockey game.

Lawrence was known for his easy-going, friendly demeanor. He loved pets, especially a golden retriever named Rocky, and a Samoyed named Babsi, and both had visited him in Marin County. Lawrence would sit still for an extended period when a cat named Oranges sat on him because the cat's contentment was a top priority. The pets, and his family and friends, all loved his warm hugs. Lawrence was a brother, a best friend, a brother-in-law, an uncle, and a son and will be greatly missed. Lawrence was one of a kind when it came to his personality and humor and treated all living things with kindness and respect. We will forever miss his laugh and smile.

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