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Stephen Thomas Herrin



April 13, 1946 - Dec. 25, 2021

Born April 13, 1946 in Fort Bragg, N.C. and passed away on Dec. 25, 2021 with family by his side in Corte Madera, Calif. Stephen Thomas Herrin, an Orinda resident for 41 years, was a loving and caring man who always put his family first. He loved running and ran over 50 marathons and competed in the Western States 100 miler. Next month was always going to be "health month" so he could justify his love for bread, cookies, and ice cream.

He enjoyed coaching kids sports and being a Cubmaster. Forever a handyman whether he was building his man cave in the attic with a motorized staircase, a doll house with electricity or fixing an endless amount of toys.

He spent his childhood in Kansas and Hawaii in a military family. He graduated from Cal

State Northridge and completed his master's in business from USC. He married Jackie Jean after a short courtship. Both my parents were proud to say they met in September, were engaged in November and married in March! A hard-working man, he worked for The Phone Company for 30 years. After he retired, he worked for an Internet startup company in Los Angeles for a couple of years - a fun adventure but he was happy to retire for good in 2003. In 2003 he was diagnosed with lymphoma and endured a successful bone marrow transplant, which gave his family 18 more years with him.

Surviving lymphoma gave him and all of his family a healthy perspective of how lucky we all were to have so many more birthdays, events, and ultimately three grandchildren. He loved his grandchildren and spent recent years driving from Orinda to Corte Madera just to take them to gymnastics and swimming. When not with family he could be found "garaging, reading WW2 history books, helping out the neighbors and walking his beloved golden retrievers up the street."

Survived by his wife Jackie of 49 years, his sister Janet Herrin, his children Stephanie (Eric) and Michael, and his grandchildren Brady (Mom Jill), Molly and Katie.

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