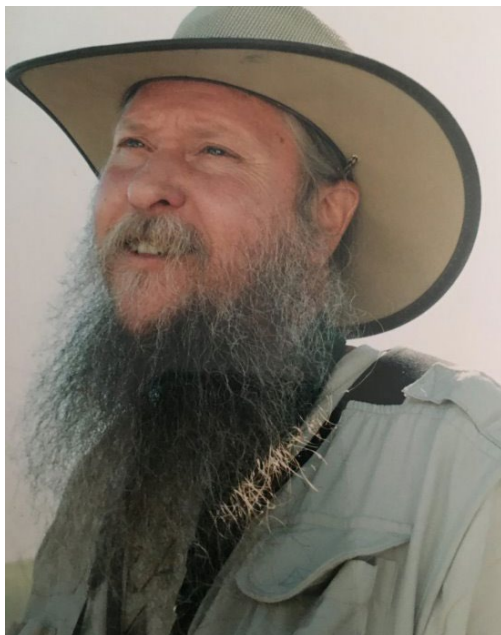


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## James "Doc" Hale



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guardians of the land. Contributions can be made to Save Mount Diablo or other wildlife conservation charities.

James "Doc" Hale, 72, passed from this earthly plane on Oct. 13 in Walnut Creek after a brief hospice stay.

James was born in Inglewood, CA, but lived most of his life in Contra Costa County. James was a graduate of Acalanes High School in Lafayette and earned a Masters Degree in Zoology from California State University, San Jose, and was a professor at University of California, Santa Cruz in the Wilderness Studies program. James was a professional vertebrate zoologist / wildlife biologist and worked as a professional ecological consultant for over 47 years throughout California conducting surveys, research, and preparing reports for various agencies. He led many natural and cultural history interpretive field trips, and gave lectures throughout the S.F. Bay Area.

He is survived by his sister Olivia Hale and brother John Hale, and his wife Toby and their three children, Jana, Holly and Heather.

James especially enjoyed hiking the many trails of Mt. Diablo and the East Bay Regional Parks with his many good friends, camping, and was an avid supporter of the local music scene. He will best be remembered for his love of nature and his passion for educating others about the natural world and the indigenous people who were

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