

Arthur Collins

Obituary



February 25, 1946 to June 13, 2022 Art left this world at age 76, on June 13, surrounded by his loving family members in Phoenix AZ. Art and his wife Cindy lived in Phoenix for the last two years, moving there from Reno NEVADA. Art grew up in Glendale, CA, where he threw high school javelin. He lived there until he joined the US Air Force in 1966. Later in 1966 he was recruited to join Air America, and was stationed in Thailand from 1966 to 1969 during the Viet Nam War. After his service years he graduated with a BACHELORS AND MASTERS degree from University of Nevada, Reno. He was a high school teacher, counselor and ski coach for 30 + years in Reno, Nevada. Upon his retirement he continued to oversee the high school ski racing program for many years. He was recently inducted into the Nevada Hall of Fame for his ski coaching. Art was also involved as a trainer for the US jujitsu Team, and traveled internationally with the team. Art touched the lives of many young people in his role of teacher, counselor and coach at Reno High School, as well as his volunteer work with the US jujitsu team. Art is survived by his wife of 48 years, Cindy, and his two sons Michael and Joseph with their wives Brooke Bisbee Collins and Suzanne Collins, as well as four grandsons, Justin, Tyler, Andrew and Blake. Art has one surviving brother, Michael Collins and his wife Mary, along with numerous cousins and nephews. Art was well known for his love of St Bernard dogs. He and Cindy had 19 Saints over their years together. Art and Cindy loved going to dog shows and made many friends in the dog world. His two Saints, Willow and Sonny Boy will be very sad without him. Known for his gentle manner and encouraging ways, Art will be missed by many. He truly was a gentleman, in every sense. A Memorial Service will be held in Reno at Slide Mountain Ski Resort on Saturday August 13 at 1:00 for family, friends, students and skiers who knew and loved Art. In lieu of flowers please consider a donation in Art's name to The Wounded Warrior Project or Saints of the West (the Reno Sparks Saint Bernard rescue.)

Service Information

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Slide Mountain Ski Resort

August 13, 2022 at 1:00 PM