In Memory of
Jim Linneman
September 11, 2015 | Memorial Grove | Alta, UT
James Edward Linneman

December 9, 1933- April 9, 2015

Jim died in his home in Merced the morning of April 8, 2015. Jim was born at Mercy Hospital in Merced, California on December 8, 1933 to Doris and “Tip” Linneman of Dos Palos. He is survived by his loving wife of fifty-four years Carol, and his daughters; Andrea, son-in-law Brian, and grandsons Ben and Ryan; Jessica, son-in-law Jason and grandchildren Kate and Preston. He was preceded in death by his parents and older brother Mike.

He grew up in Dos Palos and graduated from Dos Palos High School where he was active in sports and music and was Senior Class President. He attended Stanford University and was admitted to Stanford Law School for his senior year. While at Stanford, he was a member of NROTC and after graduation served in the U.S. Navy as a junior officer, stationed on the U.S. S. Sussex, based at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. In 1957 he returned to Stanford Law School, graduated in 1959 with a J.D. and was awarded the “Order of the Coif” an honor given to the top 10% of the class.

He then moved to Merced and worked in the District Attorney’s office before joining the law firm of Linneman, Burgess, Telles and Van Atta, a firm started by his father. He also served a year as the Public Defender. After many years of law practice he retired at age 80.

A great joy of his life was skiing in deep powder and he enjoyed many ski trips with Carol, family, and longtime friends to the mountains of Alta, Utah, British Columbia, the Sierras, and Colorado. He also enjoyed walking and hiking trips and he and Carol did so in many areas of the world. He was an avid reader and also enjoyed listening to or watching Teaching Company Great Courses.

He will forever be missed by this loving family, longtime friends, the family of his brother Mike, and the Family of Carol’s sister.

A private Celebration of Life will be held at a later date. People wishing, may make a charitable donation of their choice or to any animal or wildlife protective charity.
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