

Robert H. Ahlstrom

November 27, 1947 - September 04, 2018



It is with immense sorrow the family of Robert H. Ahlstrom announces his untimely passing on September 4, 2018 at the age of 70.

Robert was born November 27, 1947 in Boulder City, NV to Jack and Fae Ahlstrom. With both of his parents as practicing dentists, Robert followed their footsteps and attended Arizona State University in preparation for dental school. Shortly before entering dental school he joined the U.S. Army and served in the dental unit at Fort Sam Houston. On acceptance to the University of the Pacific Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry he moved to San Francisco and completed his dental school in 1975.

Immediately following, he attended the University of North Carolina School of Dentistry where he completed a residency in Prosthodontics and graduated with a Master of Science in Oral Medicine. Dr. Ahlstrom returned to the San Francisco Bay area to teach prosthodontics at UOP and practiced with Dr. Henry Sutro in Piedmont, CA. Returning to his Nevada roots, he opened his practice in 1979. He returned to teaching in 1999 as the director of the implant clinic at UOP, while he maintained his dental practice in Reno for over 35 years.

He is survived by his loving wife Walli; son R.W.; daughter Brooke (Christopher); granddaughter Kianna and soon to be born grandson Dante, in addition to his sister Jacki, brother Danny (Pandora), and nephew and niece Luke and Brittany. Dr. Ahlstrom was a member of several local and national dental societies and will be missed by his beloved colleagues, friends, and patients.

One of Robert's greatest pleasures was watching a patient's transformation with the improvement of a smile. The pride in his work is reflected by the thousands of patients treated under his care with precision, dedication, and a unique obligation that he was responsible for improving their quality of life. Teaching dental students was another one of his great pleasures. He enjoyed watching them mature in the practice of dentistry, giving them guidance, and support throughout their dental school careers. His goal in teaching was to make a student the best they could be. His love for the dental profession was evident through his numerous accomplishments and will be forever cherished.