

Dr. Mark Dellinges 2/5/1951 -4/26/2024



Mark A. Dellinges, DDS, FACP, a longtime member of the UCSF School of Dentistry community, passed away on Friday, April 26. He was 73 years old.

Dr. Dellinges had a profound connection with UCSF School of Dentistry, having been an alumnus of the school (Class of 1981) and a distinguished graduate of the UCSF Prosthodontics Certificate Program (1987).

His 32-year career at UCSF includes serving as a clinical professor in the Department of Preventative and Restorative Sciences (PRDS) and division chair of pre-clinical simulation.

Dr. Dellinges was recognized with numerous awards over the years, including the UCSF Dental Alumni Association's Medal of Honor, the Dental Alumni Presidents Award, and the Excellence in Academics Award from the John Greene Society.

His commitment to education is exemplified by his extensive professional development over the past decade. During this time, he completed the American Dental Education Association (ADEA) Leadership Institute Program, the Teaching Scholars Program at UCSF School of Medicine, and earned a master's degree at UC Berkeley in the Graduate Education Department through the joint UC Berkeley/UCSF Graduate Education Program.

"Beyond his professional accomplishments, Mark will be remembered for his kindness, humility, and unwavering positive attitude. Mark never had a down day. Every conversation with him was uplifting. He touched the lives of all who knew him, leaving behind a legacy of excellence, compassion, and integrity," said Don Curtis, DMD, professor in PRDS and friend of Dr. Dellinges.

Dr. Dellinges is survived by his wife of 35 years, Elaine, daughter Melanie Teruel, son Christian, and grandchildren Juliea and Miles James, born one day after his passing. Dr. Dellinges has since been buried.