



In Loving Memory Of

Hans S. Poschmann

Entered into Life

August 29, 1932
Liegnitz, Germany

Entered into Rest

September 23, 2006
Fremont, California

Spread Love Everywhere You Go

“Spread love everywhere you go: first of all in your own house. Give love to your children, to your wife or husband, to a next door neighbor.....Let no one ever come to you without leaving better and happier. Be the living expression of God’s kindness; kindness in your face, kindness in your eyes, kindness in your smile, kindness in your warm greeting.”

- Mother Teresa



Our father, Hans Poschmann, was born in Liegnitz Germany in 1932.

He was the oldest child of Hubert and Martha Poschmann.

Edith Modis, Hans' sister lives in Berlin, Germany.

Horst Poschmann, Hans' brother lived in Berlin, Germany and has entered into rest.

Wolfgang Poschmann, Hans' youngest brother lives in Austria.

Growing up, our father was known as someone who was very kind and light-hearted. He always believed in finishing what you have started and not to be a quitter. He was a very jovial man.

A story he loved to tell about his early years was the time when he took off with the soldiers and marched alongside with them when he was a child.

Hans excelled at making custom cabinetry and teaching chess. His proudest moments were creating beautifully handcrafted custom woodwork and teaching the wonderful children at The Weibel School how to play chess. He enjoyed teaching chess immensely.

In his early years, he also experienced hard times during and after the war and this had a lasting effect on the man he would become. This experience spurred him to move with his family to California in 1960.



Hans first learned cabinet making as an apprentice in Liegnitz, Germany for which he did not receive any pay. His first paying job was as a traffic policeman in Berlin, Germany. It was not until he moved to California that he landed a job as a cabinet maker in San Francisco. He worked at Haas Wood and Ivory Works for over 25 years.

In 1958, all that changed, when he met and married our Mother, Eva. After the birth of Astrid, they moved to Fremont, California and began building a life together and then shortly after that came the birth of Birgit. They lived in Fremont, California ever since. Hans was also grandfather of Billy, Phillip, and James Jr.

Dad was passionate about chess and traveling back to his homeland. He was even able to visit his homeland and relatives just before he passed away. Many of you, I know, remember the dedication he had to the Chess Club and the teaching of many children at the Weibel school. It made him very happy.

As people have talked to me these last few days about my father, they've often mentioned his special qualities, enthusiasm, zest for life, and his dedication. I know that I will always remember how he pushed me forward to always strive to do my best and to never give up.

In closing, we'd like to thank everyone who helped the family including his chess family. In lieu of flowers, please make a contribution to The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society (<http://www.leukemia-lymphoma.org>).

To Those I Love

*If I should ever leave you,
Whom I love
To go along the silent way....
Grieve not.
Nor speak of me with tears.
But laugh and talk of me
As if I were beside you there.*