



Charles J. Balady

January 2, 1935 - December 15, 2013

After fighting courageously and valiantly for two years, Charles [Chuck] Balady succumbed to metastatic esophageal cancer on December 15, 2013. Beloved husband, best friend, and soul mate, Chuck fought the cancer battle with a positive attitude, great strength, and humor. He passed away at home with his wife as he had wished. Born in Lockport, Illinois, on January 2, 1935, Chuck was the eldest son of Madeline S. Balady and Charles C. Balady [both deceased]. He attended the University of Arizona before moving to the San Gabriel Valley (in Calif). Chuck then began a long career with Prudential Insurance Company. He won several awards for excellence and received the coveted award of salesman of the year. After his successful career, Chuck retired at the age of 55 [!] when golf, tennis, and billiards became his passions. When his beloved wife retired in 2005, they made Palm Valley Country Club in Palm Desert their permanent home and began to enjoy cruising as often as possible! Chuck is survived by his loving wife, Joanne, who will forever treasure her 29 years with her caring, thoughtful, generous, and loving husband. Though his brother, Lou, pre-deceased him, he is survived by a sister, Bernadette Osborn, (Arizona) as well as nieces and nephews (from his wife's family) who will always remember the "fun" times with Uncle Chuck. As Chuck desired, a Celebration of Life will be held on February 22, 2014 at Palm Valley Country Club, 39-205 Palm Valley Drive, Palm Desert, CA. 92211 from 2:00-4:00 P.M. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations be made in Chuck's name to Gilda's Club {an Affiliate of the Cancer Support Community}, 73555 Alessandro Drive, Palm Desert, CA 92260.

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