

Malcolm ''Buck'' Sample June 26, 1921 to March 29, 2017

Malcolm E. Sample, known to friends as "Buck," was born in western PA near Pittsburgh and graduated from Indiana State U. at Indiana, PA. In WWII he was a Navy pilot on land based B-24 bombers (PB4Y-ls) in the Pacific, flying photographic and bombing missions over Japan. When he returned from military service, he attended the U. of Pittsburgh law school and then joined the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). In his 30 years as a special agent, for the most part assigned to foreign counter intelligence and espionage, he was based in Washington DC, New Orleans, Hawaii, New York City and the Bay area. Taking mandatory retirement at 56, Buck had a second career as a corporate security manager for National Semiconductor, plus 10 years with his own consulting company.

He met his wife Bette while he was assigned to Hawaii and she was working there. They married in 1952 and moved to CA in 1962, buying a home in Saratoga in 1963 when he was assigned to the San Jose office of the FBI. Buck has been an active member of the Saratoga Rotary Club, Saratoga Men's Club and Saratoga Federated Church's senior outreach program.

Bette and Buck have traveled extensively to every part of the world. Some of their favorite memories are a trip on the Orient Express from Vienna to London and a 28 day cruise from Athens to Singapore. They have two daughters and two granddaughters. Bette died Aug. 14, 2008.

Buck married Ann Pecota, also a resident of SRC, on December 19, 2009.