



John Wilcox

Died: June 8, 2024

John was born in Council Bluffs, Iowa and graduated from Iowa State University with a business degree. While in college he started his career selling life insurance policies to his Phi Gamma Delta fraternity brothers and college classmates and by 1963 he was regional manager of Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co. After serving as an officer in the Army Field Artillery branch during the Korean War, he returned to the insurance and financial planning business, retiring after 60+ years.

In 1970 he transferred to the San Jose office and moved his family (wife and four children) from Davenport, Iowa to Saratoga. His wife Martha passed away in 2003 and John now enjoys spending time with his children and six grandchildren, including his youngest daughter's twin boys.

John has always been passionate about helping others and giving back to his community. Over the years he has served as president of the Diabetes Society of Santa Clara Valley, president of the San Jose Sales Executives, president of the Council Bluffs Junior Chamber of Commerce (Jaycees), and board member of San Jose Rotary. While a member of the San Jose Rotary Choir, he sang for President Gerald Ford. He has cooked for the Homeless Care Force and has always been active in his church including serving as vice-president of the Parish Council. More recently he has raised money for Alzheimer's research, earning the "Grand Champion" award for raising more than \$1,000 every year.

John was one of the first to move into SRC (12/28/04) and launched our Hospitality committee. During his free time, John enjoys bocce ball, yoga, tai chi, golf, and piano.

Joined SRC: Dec 2004
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