



Carol Feller Mali

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Robert C. Mali Jr. "Bob"

Died: September 21, 2025

Carol and Bob joined us after living on Via Vico, San Jose, for forty-three years. Carol was born in Turlock, California, and raised and educated through high school in Modesto. She matriculated at Fresno State University, earning a B.S. degree in office administration followed by her teaching certificate. She taught business at Del Mar High School in San Jose for twenty-four years. Next, Carol joined the American Council for International Studies and led both student and adult tours to Europe until 2014. She first noticed Bob, "a handsome guy in uniform," at the San Jose condo complex where they both lived. They became friends while serving on their homeowners' association board and were married nine years later. Bob had four children in a previous marriage and now shares seven grandchildren with Carol.

Bob was born in Sharon, Pennsylvania, and had an itinerant childhood. After graduating from high school in Glendale, California, he attended community college and then went on to earn a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from Oklahoma State University and a master's degree in research and development systems management at University of Southern California. He served in the U.S. Air Force from 1953 to 1984 and was stationed at several bases in the U.S. and in Southeast Asia. He began as a fighter pilot, and after holding various positions, he achieved the rank of colonel (highly decorated) in 1972. His final position was vice commander for range operations, Air Force Satellite Control Facility. After retiring from the Air Force, Bob joined Ford Aerospace, where he carried out top-secret activities that were essentially the same as those in his last military position.

Carol and Bob are ardent cyclists and international travelers and have taken many bike tours in the U.S. and Europe. They both also enjoy following local sports teams. Carol is proud of her Swiss heritage and has visited Switzerland frequently. Bob is an active member of the Military Officers Association of America. They first visited SRC in 2016 and immediately loved the campus. When Carol's sister, Helen Feller, moved here, that was an added impetus to make the move. The Malis are looking forward to participating in exercise classes and exploring other activities when they're not biking.

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