

Jack Howay
Died: May 11, 2020

Jack was born in Seattle but moved to the Bay Area and attended junior high and high school in San Mateo. He majored in business management at Whitman College in Walla Walla, WA, A 27-year career in the US Air Force included a four-year assignment with his family on the island of Guam, with extensive travel throughout Micronesia, the Western Pacific and the Far East. After adding the Air Force Communications Engineering School to his credentials as an Aircraft Performance Engineer, Jack was assigned to the Air Force Satellite Test Center ("Blue Cube") in Sunnyvale. He became Mission Director of the CORONA Program, which was the first and highly successful spy space program. Jack describes that period as the "Stone Age" of the national space evolution. CORONA is featured at the Smithsonian Air & Space Museum. After he retired from the Air Force, he worked as Program Manager in support of space operations at Control Data Corporation, Micro Power Systems, GTE and Digital.

He has served many years as scoutmaster of the troop at St Andrews church in Saratoga. He has long been an avid skier, swimmer and back-packer. Jack now expects to make good use of our Fitness Center. Jack lost Nancy, his wife of 42 years, to cancer. He has a daughter, two sons and six grandchildren.