



Roger Kennedy
January 11, 1933 to June 19, 2018

Roger was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota. The family moved to the Chicago area suburb of Arlington Heights when he was eight. He graduated from high school there, and then received his BS in Biology from Lawrence College in Appleton, Wisconsin, and an MD from the University of Illinois College of Medicine in Chicago. He continued his training there with his internship and residency in Internal Medicine and Infectious Diseases. He served in the US Public Health Service, which included a further fellowship in Infectious Diseases. He joined Kaiser Permanente in Santa Clara in 1964, practicing Internal Medicine, Infectious Diseases and Medical Ethics. He served as Assistant Chief and then Chief of Medicine for 20 years. He taught at Kaiser, Stanford and Santa Clara Valley Medical Center, and was appointed a Clinical Professor at Stanford. After he retired in 1996, he continued to teach and work with the Santa Clara County Health Dept.

Roger met Mariette when she was working as a nurse at Kaiser, and they married in 1977. They travelled the world together, visiting more than 100 countries. Trekking in the Himalaya multiple times was a highlight, including reaching 18,300 ft. at Mt. Everest Basecamp. Bhutan and the Silk Road were also favorites. Roger had three children and four grandchildren. Prior to their move to SRC in January 2016, Roger and Mariette lived in Los Gatos for 38 years.