



Diane Lamé Died: April 9, 2025 Barry Lamé Died: April 19, 2025

Barry is a fourth generation son of the Bay Area, born and raised in his early years in San Francisco. He attended UC Berkeley where he studied math and physics and earned a BA degree in math. He then spent 17 months traveling the world. After, he was hired by Santa Cruz County Department of Weights and Measures, started his own small data processing business, and began buying houses. He lived in Santa Cruz for 50 years before moving to SRC.

Diane was born in Dillon, Montana, and lived there until she was eleven years old; she moved to Kingsburg, California, and attended California State University, Fresno, graduating from a five-year program with a BA degree and a lifetime teaching certification. Diane taught kindergarten and first grade in an economically depressed area of Bakersfield for two years, but after meeting her first husband, she frequently moved with him for ten years, finding diverse employment (often office management), wherever they lived. The ninth move was to Santa Cruz, where they bought their first home, then separated on friendly terms.

Barry, searching for his perfect mate, placed a detailed personal ad in a local newspaper describing his interests and "hopes to connect with intelligent, warm woman." Diane read the ad and sent him a letter. They decided to meet after a phone call, and the first meeting went on for eight hours! Five years later they married. Barry is athletic and for many years has competed in the World Senior Games in St. George, Utah, specializing in softball and volleyball. He also is a music collector, enjoyed cultivating 150 fruit trees, and was a member of The California Rare Fruit Growers. Diane prefers reading, being with friends, exercising, music and theater. She has participated in support groups, including for women recovering from breast cancer, and loved operating a small infant daycare, until health issues arose.

Both Diane and Barry enjoyed traveling. Diane's favorite trip was to Tuscany; Barry's was to Afghanistan, Kashmir, and Nepal. They were very familiar with SRC since Barry's sister lives here. After exploring other CCRCs, they found no other comparable place in terms of campus and floor plan beauty, and delicious food. Barry is interested in joining SRC exercise groups and using the pool. Diane has already signed up for Zentangle and is interested in continuing tai chi.