



## Eric Edward Julien

July 28, 1951 - December 30, 2024

Eric Edward Julien passed away on December 30th at Doctor's Medical Center from an unexpected illness. He was born July 28, 1951 in San Francisco to Robert and Jean Julien. Bob and Jean moved to Turlock and the Julien children attended local elementary schools including Julien Elementary School. Eric was proud to be in the Turlock High School Class of '69. His claim to fame was arranging the first THS Disneyland Grad Nite. Marine Biology interested Eric so he attended the University of Hawaii his first year. Having learned that UC San Diego was rated #1 in the Sciences, Eric transferred and graduated with a Biology Degree. He loved his years in San Diego with the highlight of renting a home in Del Mar close to the beach which provided many happy memories. Jacques Cousteau wasn't hiring so Eric moved back to Turlock to pursue a secondary teaching credential via Stanislaus State and was later employed by Turlock Unified School District. In 1977, Eric and Becky Stinson were married at Turlock First United Methodist Church. Family was foremost in their lives as they raised two children Jennifer and Evan. Community service was also a must for the family, whether it be support of the church, service clubs, celebration of the arts, or education ventures. Eric enjoyed nature, music, plays, movies, and gizmo gadgets especially those involving computer chips.

After 37 years of a wonderful teaching career, Eric retired from THS. That didn't stop him from reading, researching, learning, and imparting knowledge.

He finally had time to join a service club and was honored to be part of Turlock Sunrise Rotary. Eric also enjoyed the Saturday Lunch Club, Every 15 Minutes, CTA Retired, Turlock Concert Association, and the THS Retired Staff Luncheon. He never turned down helping someone with technical problems and spent copious hours communicating and spreading factual information to thousands of former students, friends, family, and colleagues via Facebook. He took a lead role in advocating for the passage of Bond Measures N and O. Part of the bond provided THS with a new Science Building, something he had rallied for since the beginning of his teaching career. Traveling was a highlight for Eric in his retirement whether it be to Europe, Oregon, or anywhere in his trailer. His last trip to his Viking Homelands in June was second to none. He loved every minute of it. His greatest joy was spending time with his family especially his two grandsons. Eric was one of a kind and loved by all who knew him. The man could tell a story!

Eric was preceded in death by his parents and two sisters; Dr. Catherine Julien and Sarah Anderson. He is survived by his wife Becky, sister Ellen Bracamonte (Alvaro), brother Matthew Julien (Becca), and brother in law, Shawn Anderson. Eric and Becky were blessed with two children Jennifer (Antonio) Sousa and Evan Julien (Jaime Kalenik). Eric's grandsons Hank and Felix were the sparkle in his blue eyes. Eric leaves behind many nieces, nephews, and grand nieces and nephews.

A celebration of the life of Eric Julien will be held Saturday, February 1st at the First United Methodist Church 1660 Arbor Way, at 10 am. Interment services are private.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to a scholarship named in his honor: Sunrise Rotary Eric Julien Memorial Scholarship, PO Box 1985, Turlock, CA 95381.



# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

FEB 1. 10:00 AM (PT)

First United Methodist Church  
1660 Arbor Way  
Turlock, CA

# Tribute Wall

BG

“ *Bettencourt, G. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Eric Edward Julien.*

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**Bettencourt, G.** - February 01, 2025 at 11:04 AM

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“ *We are deeply saddened by the loss of Eric Julien, classmate and beloved teacher. He was a remarkable individual who touched the lives of many. In particular, he was a kind and considerate man whose passion for teaching inspired countless young minds. Our daughter is among those he influenced. Thanks to his encouragement and guidance in the sciences, she is now a dedicated veterinarian. His legacy will live on through the many lives he has positively impacted. He will be profoundly missed.*

*Mick and Connie Tate*

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**Mick Tate** - January 14, 2025 at 01:03 PM

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“ Dear Julien family, I am so saddened to hear of Mr. Julien’s passing.

*A former student from high school (class of 1990), i enjoyed his science classes and his special way of teaching. He had a true gift for teaching.*

*One of my favorite stories that I often shared with him when I saw him, was how grateful I was when I left to study at Fresno State, that I was struggling with my chemistry and biology classes. My parents (Paul and Paula May) called Mr. Julien and asked if he could help me. How wonderful a man that he said yes and promptly I came home overnight, with another student/friend who was also needing help, and he spent the day with us going through our assignment and explaining and helping us. What a blessing! He has a way of explaining things and such a caring and intuitive nature that our teachers at the college didn’t have. I am forever truly grateful to him. It may seem like a small story but that has stayed with me my whole life.*

*I always enjoyed seeing him when I come home to visit, as he is also a neighbour of my parents. He will be truly missed.*

*Sending my love and condolences to the family.*

*Kind regards,*

*Kaisa May*

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**Kaisa May** - January 13, 2025 at 04:25 PM