



# Henry Clayborn Gordon

July 13, 1943 - August 31, 2019

Henry “Hank” Gordon, 76, of St. Augustine, Florida, passed away Saturday, August 31, 2019 at the Bailey Hospice in St. Augustine.

Hank was born on July 13, 1943 in Waycross, Georgia to E.W. “Jack” Gordon, Sr. and Maude (Herndon) Gordon. He graduated Grossmont High School in 1961, then a few years later served in the Army as a paratrooper. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. Hank married Judy Dufford on September 24, 1967 in La Mesa, CA. He went back to school and graduated from San Diego State in 1970, and ended up spending 29 years at Chevron Corporation as an Accountant before retiring at age 55. It didn’t take long before he and Judy moved to Florida in 1999 to spend their retirement years.

During his adult years, when he wasn’t golfing on a Saturday, you could find him fixing up Volkswagen bugs, at his workbench in the garage fixing things or using his quiet imagination to make something out of nothing (like sandals made from tire tread and leftover leather straps - yep, he actually did that!), sitting in his lazy boy half-awake watching a golf tournament (eyes closed, mouth open...we change the channel; he says, “Hey, I was watching that”), or going out of his way to maximize a frugal life with all that he owned and did. He lived his retirement years enjoying numerous rounds of golf, traveling, gardening, working at the local theater creating backgrounds and props for plays, and dancing (as something new to try). He was glad he did. Dancing is how he and Amy met in 2010.

Hank was preceded in death by his parents, and his first wife, Judy Gordon.

Hank is survived by his wife, Amy McDermott; his daughter Karen (Gordon) McGuire & husband Mike; his son Adam Gordon & wife Amy; his brother E.W. “Jack” Gordon, Jr; and his 4 grandchildren: Derek Gordon, Brooke Gordon, Seth Gordon and Caleb McGuire. The last thing he said to us was “Ta-ta”. Ditto.

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**Ellie** - October 03, 2019 at 10:51 AM

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“ I played alot of Golf with Hank when he was in Palm Coast. He was always fun to play golf with. He really enjoyed the game and was Great at it. Everyone will miss him.

Frank Mento

**Frank Mento** - September 16, 2019 at 02:54 PM

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“ Hank was a good man with a huge heart. He always looked at the bright side.  
M.Doney

**Mickey Doney** - September 16, 2019 at 12:33 PM

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“ Hank and I met in San Diego when he married his first wife, Judy Dufford Gordon, my cousin. We lost touch when I left San Diego but re-connected when Judy was ill. The last time I saw him was at a Dufford family reunion in San Diego awhile back. What I'll always remember is Hank's smile, the ease with which he welcomed you into his world, and his positive attitude. Hank will be missed. But he left behind a great gift in his children and grandchildren. Blessings to Karen, Adam and the family.

**Donn Dufford** - September 10, 2019 at 01:24 PM

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“ That is a wonderful picture,. Adam.

I remember when Hank was in the service and would hitchhike to our house in Richmond.....he was way cooler than us, because he was a young man in uniform; and PJ, myself and Andy were just kids. But, boy, did we enjoy his visits and he was fun and kind to us younger cousins.

I am not sure where the time went, but I know Hank had a full life.

He will be missed.

Please know I am thinking of all of you.

Susan Jones

**Susan Jones** - September 06, 2019 at 05:09 PM

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**Adam** - September 06, 2019 at 04:22 PM