



Charles Brian Root

September 15, 1942 - September 15, 2021

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Dr. Charles Brian Root, 79, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, September 15, 2021, in Indian Wells, California. He was born in Albion, Illinois, but resided in many places throughout his life including Washington, DC, Morristown, New Jersey, La Plata, Maryland, Barrington, Illinois, Palm Desert, and finally Indian Wells, California. After graduating from Eastern Illinois University, Dr. Root earned a Ph.D. in nuclear physics from Catholic University in Washington, DC.

Dr. Root began his career as a Weapons Research Scientist for the United States Navy developing propellants for fighter jet canopies, explosives, and munitions. However, much of his professional career was devoted to entrepreneurial endeavors including a toy manufacturing plant in southern Maryland and several consulting firms. Dr. Root was most proud of co-founding CodeMap, LLC, with his son, Gregory Root. CodeMap provides electronic information, advisory services, compliance training, and other expertise to diagnostic providers such as clinical laboratories, hospitals, and diagnostic equipment manufacturers.

Aside from his career, Dr. Root pursued many interests and hobbies including photography, gardening, and model railroading. His greatest passion was

travel and he loved a proper martini. With his wife, Patricia Root, he spent 50 plus years traveling the world, stepping foot on six continents and well over 50 countries. Later in life, he became an avid off-roader exploring challenging trails with his Jeep Wrangler in southern California and Arizona.

Dr. Root will be profoundly missed by his wife of 58 years, Patricia (Stevens) Root; his son, Gregory Root, his daughter-in-law, Julie Spinazze Root; and his grandchildren, Scott and Sarah Root.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association (<https://www.alz.org>) or the Greater Chicago Food Depository (<https://www.chicagosfoodbank.org>).

Tribute Wall



“ *Charles Brian Root*

October 05, 2023 at 09:38 PM



“ *Dear Gregg, Your Mom, Pat, was one of best friends in High School and Charles was always a part of our group. I just recently heard from your cousin Kathleen, about your father. I'm so sorry to hear, I know both of your parents were so very proud of you and your family. Sending deep sympathy to you all. Sincerely, Mary Temple*

Mary Collins Temle - June 03, 2022 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dr. Root was truly a remarkable person and someone I looked up to. Funny, kind, and generous, Dr. Root made our part of the world a better place. My heart goes out to his family. I wish healing and peace to them. May light perpetual shine upon Dr. Root.*

Rob Myers - October 04, 2021 at 12:00 AM

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“ Greg, We are very sorry for your loss and hope that memories will help you through these times. We have been friends with your parents since you and Matt got together for your birthdays and after many years of going out for your birthdays, we decided to go out for our birthdays. We went to some great places and your dad was always full of great suggestions. Glenn and I miss the four of us going out for fine dining, plays and occasionally a trip. Our son Andrew passed away from esophageal cancer about 3 weeks before we heard from your dad. We applaud his decisions. We watched Andrew suffer from chemo and radiation and he cancer. Jan and Glenn Engelhardt

Glenn and Jan Engelhardt - October 02, 2021 at 12:00 AM

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“ Greg, So sorry to learn of your Dad's passing. I feel like a family member has passed. I tried to call him several times in the last 6 mo just to say Thank You for all of his help, guidance, and insights over the years! He never refused my calls and always called me back. Always a Class Act! Great temperament, always knowledgeable, gracious, confident, and reassuring. I credit him with introducing me to "lab consulting" as a livelihood and demonstrating the concept of "consultive selling". We will miss him with you!! Again, so sorry for your loss. Praying for you and your family! Hard shoes to fill! Love from down South!

Andy Gill - September 26, 2021 at 12:00 AM