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John L. Miller was born on February 5, 1927 in Edinburgh, Scotland to Helen Finlayson Miller and Harry George Miller. He died on September 29, 2018 in Vista California after a short illness. After a childhood spent in Edinburgh, he enlisted in the British Army and served as a paratrooper in what was then Palestine. He returned from the Army and courted and then married Gladys Gwendolyn Smith on March 30, 1951. After the birth of their daughter, Linda, in 1952, the small family emigrated to Toronto, Canada where they welcomed their son, Scott, in 1954. Securing employment at Teledyne Ryan in 1957, they moved again – this time to San Diego where their daughter, Carol, was born in 1958. John was a man of energy and curiosity and was never happier than when he was engaged in his latest hobby or interest. Over the years he had enthusiasms for cooking, photography, raising birds, gardening and his longest lasting passion, raising and showing prize winning Koi. He was also a small businessman and, in addition to his primary employment, he owned fast food restaurants and a Christmas tree farm. He was a member of many gardening clubs and the Budgie, Iris and Koi Societies. What was most important to him, however, was his family. He was predeceased by his wife, Gladys, as well as by his mother, father and, his brother-in-law and great friend K. Roy Jones. He is survived by his sister, Irene Miller Jones, his cousin Edna Miller and his children Linda Jenkins (Robert), Scott Miller (Mary Ellin) and Carol Lind (Thomas). He is also survived by his granddaughters Tam, Taryn, Shannon, Lauren and Holly, grandsons Ryan and Matthew as well as his nieces Janice (Samuel), Sabrina and Kendra. In recent years he was blessed by the arrival of three great-grandchildren, Genevieve, Gabriel and Henry. The family would like to thank his great friend Gary Favron for his support over the last years of John's life. They would also like to thank Kaiser Hospice for making a difficult situation immeasurably better and ask that, in lieu of



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flowers, friends might donate to Kaiser Hospice. Please click on [SERVICE DETAILS](#) to learn more about his funeral service.



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