



# Gregory G. Roberson

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**G**REGORY GENE ROBERSON May 14, 1956 – June 20, 2017 Born in Riverside, California in the Spring of 1956 to Stanley F. and Emily L. (Breu) Roberson, “Greg” called Riverside his home through his teenage years, attending Castle View Elementary School, Gage Middle School, and graduating from Riverside “Poly” High School in 1974. Throughout those years he enjoyed camping with friends and family, Boy Scouts (becoming an Eagle Scout in 1971), competing in Motocross, trips with Young Life, and working in the summers alongside his long-time buddies for a local construction company. After graduating in 1980 from Cal Poly San Luis Obispo with a Bachelor’s Degree in Architecture (with an emphasis in engineering), he returned to Riverside. Greg began his architectural career with HMC Architects, Inc. in 1986. In that same year he married his wife, Barbara, and became a Registered Architect in May 1988. In 1990 Greg and Barb moved south to San Diego where Greg continued working for HMC, working within a small team to open a new San Diego office. In 1997 he joined the firm of Milford Wayne Donaldson and expanded his career base into preservation architecture. In August 2001 Greg briefly left corporate employment to design and build a home for the two of them, including a barn for their llamas and sheep. In May 2002 he returned to the formal practice of Architecture with RJC Architects, Inc., and was a Senior Associate and Director of Sustainable Design, AIA, LEED AP at the time of his passing. Greg served his community for almost two decades as a member and past president of the Ramona Design Review Board, and most recently served on the Board of the San Dieguito River Valley Conservancy for six years. Always a consummate outdoor enthusiast, Greg was passionate about caring for our planet, and daily sought ways – personally and professionally – to improve life where we all live. His personal joys came from being an architect, living life with Barbara and their animals, hiking, camping, mountain biking, skiing, rock climbing and reading the works of Edward Abbey,



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Craig Childs and Bill Bryson. Greg is survived by Barbara, his wife of 30 years; sister Traci (Mike) West; nephew Kyle West of San Diego; father Stanley Roberson of San Marcos (his mom passed away in 2008); sister and brother-in-law Sue and Don Murray of Michigan; numerous cousins, and a very large “pod” of friends. Greg is buried in Greenwood Memorial Park in San Diego, California. A celebratory “Gathering in Remembrance of Greg” will be held at a later date. Contributions in Greg’s memory may be made to: California Wolf Center, PO Box 1389, Julian CA 92036, [www.CaliforniaWolfCenter.org](http://www.CaliforniaWolfCenter.org); Yosemite Conservancy, 101 Montgomery St., Ste 1700, San Francisco CA 94104, [www.YosemiteConservancy.org](http://www.YosemiteConservancy.org).



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CB

**Cindy Beck** posted:

I have known Greg since the about 1975, and would see him and then him and Barb at the many Neumann family gatherings. Greg was special. He was so calm and sincere and loved to listen to everyone around him. It was always a treat when we could get him to talk about his and Barbs many adventures. He will be deeply missed by so many. Barb- Matt, Loren and I send our deepest condolences out to you and the family and pray that the healing comes quickly. Cindy Beck

July 7 at 10:29 AM

SP

**Sher Prince** posted:

I was blessed to have known Greg. We worked together establishing the HMC office in Scripps Ranch. Greg's personality made working in a small office with a diverse group of individuals fun. His quick wit and humor was always appreciated – Back then we would have project reports on dictation tapes. Greg always started his with a joke. He cared deeply for those he worked with and granted each of us the utmost respect. He will be remembered with a fondness that always causes me to smile. Barbara, I am so very sorry for the loss of your best friend and soul mate. You are in my prayers. Sher Prince 7/6/17

July 6 at 10:31 AM

JR

**James Robbins** posted:

We had the pleasure of working with Greg for fifteen years. He was a highly skilled professional with a deep interest in sustainable design, and he helped us all do better work. He was generous with his time, and he shared his insights and specialized expertise with the entire office. He was a kind and thoughtful teammate, and he was admired by us all. Our clients always respected his sincerity and his commitment to service. We will always be grateful for his many contributions; his memory is a blessing. James Robbins RJC Architects

July 4 at 11:14 AM

BB

**Bradley A. Bartlett** posted:

Greg was a great friend to the San Dieguito River Valley Conservancy, serving with distinction on our Board. I was honored to know him. He was always measured, calm, professional, and warm. I will miss him. Brad Bartlett, President SDRVC

July 2 at 3:21 PM



# Memories only last if you share them

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