



# **Rick Urrutia**

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**R**ick (Henry) Urrutia, III died peacefully on August 27, 2013 after a courageous battle with Myelofibrosis. Rick was the loving husband of Barbara Wolfston Urrutia, proud father of David Dees Urrutia from San Mateo, dear brother of Col. Michael Urrutia (Lynn) of Burke, VA & loving uncle to several nieces and nephews. Born at Fort Belvoir, VA to the late Col. Henry & Genny Urrutia. In 1973 Rick received his Industrial Design degree at Georgia Tech. During his youth Rick lived around the world & especially enjoyed Panama where he learned to love the game of golf. In 1985 Rick founded Automation Controls Group in Campbell. He enjoyed mentoring his employees to help them excel in their jobs and lived by his motto “Work Hard, Play Hard”. His aesthetic design sense shined in everything he did, from his garden & home to his love of entertaining. Rick was an active member of Vistage and an avid GA Tech & 49er’s football fan. During retirement Rick found joy in working with young people at “The First Tee” and the Boys & Girls Clubs of the Peninsula. He will be greatly missed by Brogan his dog & the neighborhood children where he enjoyed attending their sporting events. A “Tribute to Rick” will be held on Fri., Sept. 20th at 2 p.m. at Skylawn, Highway 92 in San Mateo. In lieu of flowers please consider signing up for “Be the Match” stem cell registry or contributions may be made to the Boys & Girls Clubs of Peninsula – [www.bgcp.org](http://www.bgcp.org).



## Tribute Wall

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LG

**Lynn Gingras** posted:

Our thoughts and prayers are with Rick's family as you begin this new chapter. Rick was always extremely optimistic in everything he did, personally and with his business ventures, his optimism and effervescent smile touched everyone! He is missed by so many, his memories will never fade, we all have those to hold close in our hearts. We are thankful for the time we had with Rick and Barbie, we shared some great fun. Our love and hugs Barbie, Lynn, Bruce and Lauren

September 19 at 1:53 AM

JR

**Judy Ranzer** posted:

Rick will be in the Hearts of All at CLAW and the SF-SPCA. He was Always 'There' for Bark & Whine, Dancing with his Lovely Wife, Barb, and his Wheatons. Most Recently, Brogan. Rick Always had a Smile for Everyone! He will be So Missed, by ALL. Love to All Rick's Family...Judy Ranzer

September 9 at 6:09 AM

MU

**Martin Umeh** posted:

I'll never forget Rick's desire to succeed, but to also help the younger generation of sales professionals. He was a relentless sales talent – a great planner with strong product knowledge, boundless energy, and the necessary drive to survive and prosper in a very competitive business climate. And yet Rick never forgot who he was – he always made time to catch up with his employees and suppliers, figure out how to improve a customer's jump shot, or scheme to create a better way to present products. The consummate businessman, Rick was also the consummate gentleman. He will be missed.

September 3 at 9:23 AM

CH

**Chris Hebert** posted:

Rick was one of the hardest working, individuals I have ever met. He always presented himself and his company in a professional manner and was innovative in his approach to sales and to the industrial control profession. He will be truly missed. Chris Hebert, Omron Electronics.

September 3 at 6:25 AM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Rick by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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