



William Edward Fiegenbaum

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Ed Fiegenbaum, 74, died at his home in Corvallis, Oregon from complications of congestive heart failure.

He had been battling major cardiovascular and kidney problems for many years.

Ed spent the majority of his career as a school psychologist with Portland Public Schools, serving as the head of the Home and Hospital program.

Born in Lebanon, Oregon, his parents William and Alice Fiegenbaum and his sister Susan were a military family who were assigned to a variety of locations following William's service in World War II.

Ed's father, William Edward II, served in Army Counterintelligence in Germany in the early 1950s.

The family returned to the U.S. and they eventually settled in Albany, where Ed spent most of his childhood.

After graduating from Albany Union High School in 1965, Ed attended the University of Oregon where he earned Bachelor and Master degrees in psychology.

He then moved to the University of Utah where he received a PhD in educational psychology in 1975.

During this time, Ed also spent numerous summers with his Uncle Larry and Aunt Dorothy Steffgen building their house near at Eagle Lake, California.

Ed maintained a variety of interests over the years, including being an avid golfer, tennis player, world traveler, wine enthusiast, and bird watcher. His enthusiasm for UO athletics was in a category of its own.

Following his retirement from PPS, he enjoyed some success at flipping real estate, but eventually decided it was more of a young person's game and spent his remaining years pursuing his interests with friends and family in the Portland area and Corvallis.

Ed is survived by his aunt Dorothy Steffgen of Woodland, California; sister Susan Salveson of Corvallis; brothers Michael of Wilsonville, Martin of The Dalles, Patrick of Portland, and John of Beaverton.

Disposition was by cremation, arrangements handled by DeMoss-Durdan Funeral Home of Corvallis. Share condolences at www.demossdurdan.com A Celebration of Life is scheduled 1-3 pm for Friday, July 30 at Springhill Cellars Winery (www.springhillcellarswinery.com) in Albany OR, 2920 NW Scenic Drive, 97321.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JUL **30**. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (PT)

Sprinhill Cellars Winery
2920 NW Scenic Drive
Albany, OR 97321
<http://www.springhillcellarswinery.com>

Tribute Wall

MH

“ Ed and I met when he scheduled a massage with me in Portland about a decade ago. We became friends, as I do with most of my clients. I always enjoyed seeing him and our conversations. When he told me he was moving to Corvallis we continued our conversations via email to stay caught up. We stayed connected through the pandemic, and I would share with him my running adventures. I wrote him in 2020, but never heard back and life got really busy. I reached out again, and didn't hear back. So I waited, and I came across the emails recently to find out that he had passed away. I was afraid that was the truth, but I didn't want to admit it. My condolences go out to his family. Ed had a sense of adventure, and enjoyed the good life. He was a good friend and a wise man. Cheers to a good man with a glass of vino!

Meg hull - July 14, 2024 at 04:59 PM

MF

“ As 2021 fades into history and gives way to the new year, the Fiegenbaum family would like to give sincere thanks to all to who came by to view and share (here or at any of the other web sites with Ed's obit), and to express special appreciation for those who were able to attend the memorial service in July.

Also, an additional thanks to the wonderful professionals at DeMoss-Durdan who took care of all the arrangements with grace, patience, and compassion.

"Live Long and Prosper" to all!

Mike Fiegenbaum - January 01, 2022 at 05:49 PM

SN

“ I was hired by Ed sometime in the 80’s as a hospital teacher at Doernbecher Children’s Hospital through the Home and Hospital Program, Portland Public Schools. It was a dream job for me, as that’s what I always wanted to do. Ed knew that, and supported me consistently. I was sad when he left. He called each of us to share that decision. In the midst of thanking him for hiring me and everything else, he interjected, “Thank YOU!”

Sarah Naylor - July 26, 2021 at 12:56 AM

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Mike Fiegenbaum - July 11, 2021 at 10:53 PM

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“ Ed was very fond of these alternate lyrics (found in the Pogo comic strip), sung to the tune of the Deck the Halls Christmas carol.

♪ Deck us all with Boston Charlie, Walla Walla, Wash., and Kalamazoo!

Nora's freezin' on the trolley, swaller dollar, cauliflour, Alla-garoo! ♪

I think it was the Christmas season of 1965 when he took me out to a woodsy area where he shot down sprigs of mistletoe from the trees, pretty successfully! I know nothing about guns, but it was some sort of small rifle, and seemed a bit out of character for him-- fun though! He was on winter break from U of O, and I was on winter break from Linfield College. How young we were!!

Nancy Edens Hubler

Nancy Edens Hubler - July 06, 2021 at 01:53 PM

MF

What a sweet story. Thank you for sharing, Nancy.

Interesting in that the only firearm we ever had anywhere around our house was a BB gun, which was about the size of a small rifle (carbine), though it was horridly inaccurate past about 4 feet. If it wasn't that, I would guess he must've borrowed a .22 from someone.

--Mike

Mike Fiegenbaum - July 11, 2021 at 10:49 PM