Jack Walker

August 25, 1921 - May 10, 2019

Jack Walker passed peacefully on May 10, 2019; he was 97.

Jack was born on August 25, 1921 to John and Rolla Wade Walker in Los Angeles, a twin to his sister, Irene. He married Jean Adele Hood on July 12,1947; they were together until her death in 2010. He is survived by his three children, David (Tammy), Marty (Sighle), Julia (Vince), and granddaughter Emma (Gianni).

Jack was an educator. After graduating with a degree in Mathematics from UCLA, Jack began his teaching career in Los Angeles grade schools. He later joined the district office as a Mathematics Coordinator to start Los Angeles's "New Math" program.

In the mid-60's, Jack took a position with San Bernardino County Schools, and the family moved to Redlands, CA. During this time he joined the federal Projects to Achieve Creativity in Education for San Bernardino, Inyo, and Mono Counties (PACE-SIM), where one of his projects was to establish a study center for Native Americans living near Bishop, CA. After leaving the County Schools, he returned to the classroom, teaching at private schools in Flintridge, Palm Springs, and Redlands.

Even after retiring, Jack didn't stop teaching. Shifting his focus to seniors, he launched Ask Jack, teaching computing to seniors through multiple venues, such as Plymouth Village and the Joslyn Centers, as well as providing one-on-one assistance. He carried his cell phone clipped to his belt, and you rarely visited him without his phone ringing with some question from a struggling senior computer user.

Jack will be missed by his family and everyone he has touched during his life. He was soft-spoken but quick witted, wise, and always ready to help where help was needed, right to the very end.