



John Havens

June 24, 1923 - March 3, 2007



Alice Havens

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John and Alice Havens

John was born in Chicago but grew up in Los Angeles. After Army medics rejected him in World War II, he went to work selling welding equipment. He spent nine years with the same company in Los Angeles, then moved north to San Jose in 1954 and became vice-president and general sales manager of A. G. Pond Co. After the owner's death, he purchased the business which he ran for 35 years until he retired in 1989. He and his family have lived in Los Gatos for 42 years. John formerly played golf and tennis but is now looking forward to having a pool table at SRC. He also enjoys singing and plans to get a Karaoke group going.

Alice was born in Portugal but came to the Los Angeles area as a baby. Her parents ran a small grocery store, but she preferred to become a secretary to the manager of a branch of Bank of America, where John did his banking. He really impressed her with his salesmanship -- and his black convertible! She and John raised three sons. John, Jr. and his wife took John and Alice to Palm Desert for a week in January, while they moved furniture and hung pictures, preparing the new apartment at SRC for their parents' arrival. The other two sons build houses at Lake Tahoe and in Hawaii, so John and Alice have great places to visit! They have enjoyed about 18 cruises, but their favorite trip was to Portugal to visit Alice's "roots."

John passed away in March 2007. Shortly thereafter Alice moved to Assisted Living, and she is now living in the Health Center.