

# David Jon PARKER

December 1, 1936 - October 26, 2022

- **Obituary**

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It is with heavy hearts that we share the news of the passing of David Jon Parker, husband, father, grandfather, uncle and friend. David died peacefully with family by his side on October 26, 2022 at Lions Gate Hospital in North Vancouver, BC at the age of 85 after a brief struggle with Covid 19 and pneumonia.

David was born in Des Moines, Iowa where he spent his first five years before moving with his parents and older brother to Long Beach, California. He leaves behind his wife Heather, sons Jeff (wife Nancy) and Courtney (wife Wendy), grandchildren Ellie, Kai, Nicholas and Alex, cousins, nieces, nephews and many friends.

After graduating from Occidental College in Los Angeles, obtaining his MBA at UCLA (Carter fellow) and while working on his PhD at MIT in Boston, David immigrated to Canada in 1975, accepting a job with MacMillan Bloedel (now Weyerhaeuser) as Director of Strategic Planning at the head office. He retired from MacMillan Bloedel as General Manager of the Parallam division, which was a research

**operation that developed a revolutionary engineered wood technology.**

**David was a kind, gentle, well-read, curious and quick-witted person with a passion for people, golf, piano and jazz music. He was a kid at heart who also loved body surfing and volleyball. David was immensely proud of his sons and grandchildren and their accomplishments and treasured every moment he spent with them and their families.**

**David will be missed deeply and forever loved by his family and friends, and we are so grateful he had a life that was so well lived.**

**A Celebration of Life will be held next summer when his sons and their families are here and when it's Covid-safe to do so.**

**In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to Lions Gate Hospital Foundation or a charity of your choice.**

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