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Jerry Eisner passed away peacefully on October 13, 2023. Born in Czechoslovakia, he immigrated to the United States as a child, via New York City. At 18 Jerry moved to Miami, Florida, and after a two year enlistment with the United States Marine Corps, and a tour of duty in Viet Nam, he returned back to Miami, where he spent the rest of his life. Jerry was a graduate of both Florida Atlantic University and Florida International University and had obtained his Doctorate of Education at FIU. Jerry started his career as a traveling photojournalist and his photos were published in national magazines. In 1973, Jerry joined the Miami-Dade County Public School system. His career spanned over 30 years, starting as a teacher and then working as a magnet Lead Teacher. He helped bring magnet programs to Miami-Dade County and spearheaded the South Miami Senior High Visual and Performing Arts magnet program, which he ran until his retirement. His former students still speak of him as a strict but funny creative mentor. He helped hundreds of students get scholarships for college and countless students get awards for their talents in both Visual and Performing Arts. At his core, he was an artist who drew, painted, sculpted, and had an intense passion for photography. His career was spent teaching students these skills. After retiring he enjoyed a life of relaxation and leisure and was often found out on the water with a fishing pole in his hand. He also loved riding Harley Davidson motorcycles, a passion that he also instilled in both of his daughters. Jerry is survived by his loving wife, Deborah, his two daughters Miriam and Beckah, his step-son Eric, his son-in-law David, daughter-in-law Patrica, his granddaughter Sophia, his sister Susan, his brothers-in-law, David and Brian, and his former sister-in-law, Judith.



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Ricky Christophe posted:

I was literally thinking about him a few weeks back. I remember him interviewing me for the SMSH photography magnet program back in 95, before I attended in 96. Definitely was my inspiration for the art of seeing things differently thru a lens. He will definitely be missed.

March 22 at 3:09 AM



Kara Ray posted:

I was thinking about Jerry today and found out about his passing. I'm really sorry to hear it. He was one of my teachers in P.A.V.A.C., back in the eighties. He really was a great photography teacher. He was strict but so funny. He helped shape the way I look at art. My condolences to his family. Kara Ray

March 5 at 2:42 PM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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