



Charles (Charlie) Austin Shea, III

December 23, 1935 - January 8, 2021

Charles Austin Shea III (Charlie) passed away peacefully on Friday January 8th in Sisters, Oregon at the age of 85 after a courageous battle with Parkinson's Disease, surrounded by loved ones who will continue to honor his legacy. Charlie was well regarded by many as a true hero, a friend you could count on and the definition of what a great human being should embody. Born in Hollywood, California to Charles Austin Shea II and Elouise Risley, Charlie would go on to live an extraordinary life. After attending Beaverton High School, Charlie began his higher education at Menlo College, where he has since been inducted in the Hall of Fame for lettering in five sports in just one school year. He went on to attend Stanford University, where he had a successful football career, winning the PAC 8 rushing title in his senior year. He turned down an opportunity to play in the NFL and instead pursued a law degree at Santa Clara University. In the Bay Area, Charlie was a partner in the law firm of Mullen and Fillipi before moving to Portland with his wife Carolyn and three children Charlie, Karen and Mike, where he joined the law firm of Schwabe, Williams & Wyatt. Throughout his life, Charlie served on many boards, including the Almaden Country Club, the Astoria Maritime Museum and Jesuit High School. After retiring from law and moving to Gearhart, Oregon in 1990, Charlie continued working on his own time building and remodeling homes, landscaping and practicing the art of Bonsai, which led to his nickname Charlie Scissorhands. Throughout life, he was involved in many athletic activities such as skiing, basketball, tennis, golf and rollerblading. The

Oregon Coast Golf Tournament was very important to him, where he earned medalist honors in 1969. He taught all three of his children how to ski and loved spending time in Lake Tahoe. If he wasn't stateside, he was enjoying recreational travel abroad to favorite destinations such as Ireland, Scotland, England, or more recently the Mediterranean. He married his second wife Rinda in 1998, where together they combined two wonderful families comprised of six children and eleven grandchildren. Charlie also had a deep passion for music, entertaining family and friends for decades with his folk guitar playing and singing around campfires on the beach. He could be found every year in the Gearhart Fourth of July parade, though he hated fireworks. He was blessed with many close friends, kept up with a Pitch group and was always a big fan of his Stanford football. He leaves behind his wife of 23 years Rinda Shea, their dog Luci, his daughter, Karen Shea Connell (Chuck Nokes), son, Michael John Shea, his step-children, Michelle Elise Carpenter (Brad Carpenter), Rob Gunner Lindsay (Trisa Lindsay), and Joseph John Lindsay (Rebecca Lindsay), his grandchildren and step-grandchildren, Patrick, Timothy, Sam, Sean, Bailee, Kenzie, Carolyn, Reece, Cade and Brooke, his many friends and a long-lasting legacy. He is preceded by his first wife, Carolyn Shea, sister, Sally Shea, son, Charles Shea IV, and granddaughter Katherine Shea. His family and friends will never forget his captivating charm, boundless energy and his love. Charlie will be memorialized during a private family service at Finley's Sunset Hills Memorial Park. The Charles A. Shea III Scholarship Fund through Warrenton Hammond Healthy Kids Inc. has been created in his name to benefit underprivileged youth via sports programs and social services. For more information, please call 503-717-3796.

Arrangements entrusted to Redmond Memorial Chapel.

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