



## Jacob Garvin Warden Jr

September 25, 1947 - April 1, 2024

Jacob Garvin Warden Jr., 76 years old, of Tahoe City, California, passed away on April 1, 2024, after a long battle with cancer.

Garvin was born on September 25, 1947, in Cleveland, OH, to Charlotte Andresen and Dr. Jacob Garvin Warden. Soon thereafter, the family moved to Hagerstown, MD, where Garvin lived for most of his childhood (and met his first wife, Peggy). He loved spending summer holidays with his younger brother, Steve, at their grandfather's farm in West Virginia.

Garvin attended Mercersburg Academy (PA), where he enjoyed football and pole vaulting – the latter culminating in a Penn Relays invitation. After Mercersburg, Garvin graduated from Denison University (OH), majoring in English, followed by the U.S. Navy's Officer Candidate School. Garvin then served for three years as a Naval officer, principally as Officer in Charge of an EOD diving-demolition team, ultimately achieving the rank of Lieutenant JG. His Naval service included an extended Arctic Circle - Mediterranean cruise aboard the USS Independence and multiple Secret Service support assignments during the 1972 Presidential election.

After retiring from the Navy, Garvin graduated with an MBA from the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School. Garvin spent 45 years in the banking and financial services industry, including nearly 20 years with Cornerstone Capital

Advisors, the boutique consulting firm he co-founded in Pittsburgh, PA in 1988. Among his many career accomplishments, Garvin was most proud of his work as Interim CEO for the Pittsburgh Penguins and as Interim CFO for Tollgrade Communications.

Garvin met Sharita, his current wife, in 2004, and they relocated to California in 2006. Garvin and Sharita fell in love with the Tahoe Basin at first sight, eventually retiring to their mountainside “forever home” in Tahoe City. Both before and after retirement, Garvin and Sharita loved traveling the world together, particularly visiting their children and grandchildren. Garvin also enjoyed skiing, biking, hiking, kayaking, and golf, and he remained a loyal fan of the Pittsburgh Steelers and Penguins until the end.

In addition to his beloved Sharita, Garvin is survived by six children (Jake, Erin, Julia, Reid, Austin, and Liz), eight grandchildren (JJ, Ellie, Lucy, Ryan, Oliver, Charlotte, Winnie, and Miriam), brother Steve, first wife Peggy, Aunt Marge, mother-in-law Zelma, and many other relatives (cousins, in-laws, and even a few outlaws). Garvin had a big personality, a wicked sense of humor, a relentless work ethic, a tireless devotion to his country, a warm heart for animals, and a passion for life. He will be deeply missed by everyone who knew and loved him.

A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date. Memorial donations may be made to the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network (PanCAN) and/or the Humane Society of Truckee-Tahoe.

# Tribute Wall

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“ I am deeply saddened to learn of Garv's passing. Garv and I met 50 years ago when we both started at Mellon Bank. We became good friends in Pittsburgh and that friendship continued when Garv joined me at Datatrol in Massachusetts. While that didn't work out for either of us for long-term employment. It was the predecessor for the immensely successful GTech Corporation. Garv was a great guy whose friendship I cherished despite the time and distance that separated us. I had been thinking about reaching out to him in recent weeks to see how he was doing. I deeply, deeply, regret that I hadn't done so. When we last spoke his cancer was in remission and he was feeling well. Pancreatic cancer is a terrible disease, but I thought if anyone could survive it, it would be Garv. I'll look for him on the other side of The Rainbow Bridge because that's where our dogs are waiting for us. My deepest sympathy and condolences to his wife, children, grandchildren, brother, and extended families. The world is a lesser, less joyful place without him in it.

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**Gregory Stern** - April 09, 2024 at 10:43 PM

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*Thank you, Greg. Your thoughtful words and fond memories are greatly appreciated, Peggy*

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**Peggy Warden** - April 24, 2024 at 07:16 AM