

CUPERTINO ROTARY ENDOWMENT FOUNDATION

Providing a Continuing Legacy for Local and International Giving



IN REMEMBRANCE *Through a Gift to our Club Endowment*

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When my father, Wilson Turner, died last January I looked for an appropriate memorial gift in his memory. Since we had lived in Evanston, IL, the home of Rotary International, I had been aware of the work of Rotary many years before becoming a member. My dad had been active in Evanston Rotary before moving to Walnut Creek in the 1970s.

In 1981 my dad took me to the Rotary International Convention in Sao Paulo, Brazil as he was incoming president of the Rossmoor Rotary Club that year. My mother had died recently and I was battling breast cancer, undergoing chemotherapy. It was a wonderful trip, really learning about Rotary in action. Pele and Mother Teresa were the featured speakers at that convention.

I had learned about Pat Jackson's memorial to her parents with a gift to the Club Endowment. I decided that this would be the way I would honor my parents and at the same time benefit our club's projects. So my first gift was actually in memory of my mother, Ruth Perkins Turner, who died in 1979. I added my second pledge in memory of N. Wilson Turner this year.

I feel that this is a wonderful way to honor someone with a gift that will provide lasting benefit and service within Cupertino Rotary's local and international communities.

The Memorial Book which Pat Jackson started will allow us to write about those we honor and gives our members a glimpse into lives of our family and friends. I am proud to include my family as one chapter of that book.

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