



## John C Budd

February 6, 2025

John C. Budd, 77 years old, passed away on February 6th, in St. George, Utah surrounded by loved ones.

John lived large, with a fondness for the outdoors, adventure, good friends, and inappropriate jokes. He started his life in upstate New York, but spent most of his childhood in St. Cloud, Minnesota with his two siblings, Tom (spouse Kathy) and Katie. John was skilled at getting into mischief, poor attempts at rafting the Mississippi river, and helping his father take care of the barn, horses, and countless dogs.

John attended medical school at the University of Kansas, then became an Internist in the Air Force before switching to Anesthesia which, according to his daughters, allowed him to 'make a living passing gas.' After his Internal Medicine Residency in California, John's first Air Force posting was in Utah, where he met his better half and partner in all things, Marge (Cengiz). He did his Anesthesia Residency in Portland, OR before relocating to Kennesaw, GA via a short stop in Salt Lake City. While John had a long career, his favorite parts of life were outside of work and centered around skiing, hiking, biking, traveling, and spending time with friends and family (often over a cold beer). Thanks to his daughters, Laura and Alyson (spouse Andrew), he once again found himself helping to take care of horses, but this time he was able to do it without manning a shovel and muck bucket.

John and Marge spent their retirement years enjoying the great outdoors in Park City and Ivins, Utah. John continued to make friends everywhere he went, and quickly became recognized as every neighborhood's favorite goof and curmudgeon, always prepared to offer a witty remark and a helping hand.

While it is difficult to sum up such a life in 400 words or less, John will be remembered as a fun-loving and loyal friend, partner, and father.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests a donation to Mountain Trails Foundation or Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance.

A celebration of life will be scheduled at a later date.