

After a short illness, Ed Dean, died on Monday, May 16th. at the age of 78. His career ranged from teaching at the Menlo School, to being the business manager at the Crystal Springs and Uplands School in Burlingame, California. For over 15 years he served in various managerial positions at Banker's Trust Company, his last assignment was as Senior Vice President responsible for Real Estate Management.

Ed and his wife Mabel moved to Tucson shortly after opting for early retirement in 1993. For a brief time they lived just outside Tucson in the desert, but soon discovered they were too far from the action so they moved to their current home in central Tucson where Ed got involved in Sage (now known as Ollie) and served briefly as its President.

They both loved to travel and Ed renewed his interest in photography. Ed had a life-long interest in taking pictures ever since he became the high school yearbook photo editor.

Around 2004 he began to study meditative photography called 'miksang' (Japanese for "the good eye"). Subsequently he took a number of photography classes at both the Santa Fe Institute and Maine Media in Rockport, Maine where he studied directly with some of the most prominent photographers of our time. In his pursuit of "the photograph" he traveled the world and worked creatively to create unique composited photographs.

For the past 4 years he served as Treasurer for "PaperWorks", the Sonoran Collective for Book and Paper Artists. Every Tuesday he looked forward to playing bridge with his partner Lu Rudolph. It always made his day when they managed to end up in the "Top Three"!!!!

He will be remembered as an extraordinary artist by people who got to see his photographs. He never took steps to show his work, but on occasion he would show it at small community exhibits sponsored by St. Gregory's School, PaperWorks and the Camera Club.

On June 5th Mabel hosted an extensive exhibit of his work at their home. Attendees celebrated by eating chocolate, his favorite food. You can view his most recent photographs at www.eddddean.zenfolio.com