Engleman, Victor Solomon 12/31/1940 ~ 11/08/2014

SAN DIEGO -- Longtime San Diego resident Victor Engleman passed away November 8 after a brief illness from complications of Alzheimer’s disease. Born in Brooklyn, New York and raised on Long Island, Vic arrived in California to attend California Institute of Technology and University of California, Berkeley. After earning his PhD in Chemical Engineering in January 1967, he was assigned to Edwards AFB where he did research at the Rocket Propulsion Laboratory for three years. This started his lifelong interest in clean air and environmental research, which he pursued for six years at Esso Research (now Exxon) in Linden N.J., and for the rest of his career at SAIC in San Diego. While at the Rocket Propulsion Laboratory he developed some of the early mathematical models for the formation of major air pollutants caused by fuel combustion. Always active in his professional organizations, he served on the Board of the Air and Waste Management Association, and was active as program organizer and session chair of many meetings in the field. After retirement he served on the Board of the Reuben H. Fleet Science Center and Orchestra Nova. Over his professional career, he mentored many scientists and engineers and educated many of his colleagues on his other passion in life: wines. Scientist, mentor, avid traveler, music lover, oenophile, gourmand, Vic leaves behind his wife of 49 years, Louise; son, Stephen and his wife Kathy, and their children, Grace and Jeffrey of San Diego; and son, Brian and his wife Shahin of Los Altos, CA. He will be remembered fondly by those who knew him best for his quirky sense of humor, his strong work ethic, and his dedication to his family; traits that will live on through the lives of his children and grandchildren. Memorial will be at the Reuben H. Fleet Science Center, 9:30am, on Thursday, November 20, 2014. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to The Reuben H. Fleet Science Center, P.O. Box 33303, San Diego, CA. 92163.