Donald Kenneth Jephcott (1919 - 2016)

November 19, 1919 - April 18, 2016 It is with a heavy heart we announce the death of Don Jephcott. He died peacefully in his sleep at home in Irvine, California. Don was born to Douglas & Gertrude (Thiele) Jephcott in Los Angeles, California. He graduated from Belmont High School in 1937 and Caltech in 1942 with a BS in Engineering with honors. He worked for the State of California retiring in 1984 as Chief Structural Engineer for the Office of the State Architect. He also authored a book and several papers on seismic engineering. Even after retiring he continued to contribute as a member of a number of earthquake related boards and committees. He was preceded in death by his beloved wife Alice and his granddaughter Keri. He will be dearly missed by his son Ken, daughter and son-in-law Jan and Jerry Scheer, grandson-in-law Scott, great-granddaughters Kaitlynn and Ginger, and his many friends. The family wishes to thank his wonderful caregivers: Manny, Catherine, and Rudy who made his last days the best they could be. A funeral service will be held at St. Matthews Church 2300 Ford Road, Newport Beach on Saturday, May 7 at 11AM. Reception to follow at the church. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in Don’s name to the Cal Tech Alumni Fund 1200 E. California Blvd. m/c 5-32, Pasadena, CA 91125, or "Choose Nursing Choose Hoag" PO Box 6100 Newport Beach, CA 92658.

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