

## Deaths



### Stephen Wyckoff

Stephen Wyckoff, a former district attorney of Santa Cruz County and member of a family long distinguished in the county's legal community, died Monday at Dominican Hospital following a brief illness. He was 81.

A native of Watsonville, Mr. Wyckoff attended elementary schools in Watsonville and Corralitos and Watsonville High School. He attended Pomona College and Boalt Hall school of law at UC-Berkeley, then transferred to Stanford University Law School.

After graduating from Stanford, he worked as a law clerk to Chief Justice Douglas L. Edmonds of California for two years, then later for Chief Justice William H. Waste.

He practiced law for more than 50 years in Santa Cruz County and from 1943 to 1947 served as district attorney. In 1957 he was inducted into the fellowship of the American College of Trial Lawyers, a national association whose membership is limited to less than 1 percent of attorneys practicing in the state. Most recently, he practiced law with his son, Stephen Nicholas Wyckoff, in the Santa Cruz firm of Wyckoff, Ritchey and Shanle.

Mr. Wyckoff was involved in community and civic groups as a founder, leader and member. For more than 30 years, he served as a director of the County Bank and was also a trustee with the UC-Santa Cruz Foundation Board, among other campus groups.

He was a longtime supporter of the Democratic Party.

Mr. Wyckoff leaves one son, Nicholas Wyckoff, of Santa Cruz; three daughters, Ann Carlos, of Santa Barbara, Susan Wyckoff of Tempe, Ariz., and Katherine Wyckoff, of Santa Barbara; a sister, Ann Read, of Santa Cruz; a sister-in-law, Florence Wyckoff, of Watsonville; and three grandchildren. His wife, Jean, died in 1984.

A memorial service is scheduled for 4 p.m. Friday at the Calvary Episcopal Church in Santa Cruz.

The family prefers contributions to the Stephen and Jean Wyckoff Memorial Reading Is Fundamental Fund, in care of the Greater Santa Cruz County Community Foundation, 2425 Porter St., Suite 11, So-

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