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Rick Boeck, originally from Mt. Upton, New York, passed peacefully in his home on January 31st, 2026, surrounded by some of his beloved family. Rick was born in Mount Kisco, NY, to Pat and “Bill” Boeck and spent his youth with his brother Bobby and sister Kathy. During his youth he was known as the best Indian Dancer as an Eagle Scout, the Mt. Upton Mounties quarterback #12 and a member of the Super 7 basketball team from ‘66-68. His service in the Airforce from ‘70-74 as a ditty bopper, as he called it, brought him to England and Louisiana where he welcomed his first born daughter Angela. Upon returning home from service he lived on Old Rte 8 with family lining almost the whole road on either side. This is where he settled and where he partnered and ran Valley Nursery and Farmers Accounting service with family. He had a passion for performance and directing in community theatre where throughout his life performing many lead roles, the Fantastics, Street Car named Desire and one specifically, The Imaginary Invalid alongside his young daughters Angela and Andrea, with the life lesson often repeated, PROJECT AND ANNOUCIATE! still in use to this day by his girls. Known to load everyone up in the car and drive far and wide to visit a nursery or an old friend to shoot the s(*t, have a coffee, beer or scotch. Although more often than not he would make a new friend, he had an uncanny ability to find someone from his hometown no matter where he was. A trip of a lifetime was when he bought a Winnebago and took his family including his mother around the country one summer. A proud father and brother moments he created gorgeous and tasteful flower arrangements for all three of his girl's weddings as well as his sister Kathy's He later moved to southern Oregon where he met his wife Jimmilea and where his passion for creativity and growing food took off. Side by side they owned and operated the Red Top Farm and Candle Company where they connected to their community through farmers markets and grass roots operation. The two of them



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uprooted their lives and made the bold decision to move to Hawaii and build their own personal paradise. Through blood, sweat, tears and a lot of swearing they built, with a machete and a shovel, a beautiful home through lava and jungle. His youngest daughter Sarah and her now husband Jason moved to their property at the beginning stages and while they enjoyed the beauty, the location was too primitive to stay. His kind and generous personality soon captured many hearts to become a favorite in his new community, where he mentored and helped other teaching propagation and the power of hard work. Always ready to spring into action to offer a hand or anything he could to help out his neighbors, friends and strangers. He loved to hang out with others, listen to music, have a smoke, a drink and a good meal, including Kalua pig. He considered his wife's Hawaiian paradise his pride and joy, which included ALL hand-built homes, gardens, a personal bath area, spaces for any guests who wanted to stay. His staple in the morning was a black coffee, two over easy eggs, bacon and Boeck potatoes that he enjoyed early in life at the Korner Kitchen and then lovingly prepared by his wife until his last days. His sharp and powerful eyes were only matched by his quick, sometimes snarky wit that always got his message across, good or bad. He will be truly missed by anyone lucky enough to have been brought into his life in one way or the other. He is survived by his wife Jimmliea Boeck, his daughters, Angela (Steve), Andrea (Matthew), Sarah(Jason), through marriage and considered grampy, Wanda Romero and Frankie

DeYoung, 12 grandchildren, and his sister Kathy. The family will be having a private ceremony at a later date



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Andrea Boeck-Wood shared 2 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Dad with Christopher and Teresa summer 2024 trip, we had a lot of fun catching up. Second picture is him doing what he loved, finding a random nursery owner and talking about the good old days. Wish I could call you right now and ask about the weather, its cold here, I know its warm where you are now. Love and miss you forever pop ❤️



February 20 at 2:33 AM



Sarah Krone shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

We love and will miss you Dad. Love Sarah, Jason, Jack and Alexa



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