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Hal Bryant Havlisch passed away on December 12, 2025, at the age of 79. He was born on April 23, 1946, in Fresno, California. Although he grew up in the Conejo area of California, he spent his adult life in Fresno, where he built his career, raised his family, and became a valued member of the community.

Hal graduated from Carruthers High School in 1964. He went on to attend Fresno State and later San Joaquin College of Law. Following his education, Hal continued his career as an attorney, specializing in bankruptcy law, where he dedicated himself to helping others navigate difficult financial circumstances with compassion and integrity.

Hal lived a full and active life. He enjoyed playing softball, poker, and golf, and found great joy in music—often playing his accordion and piano. He took pride in cleaning up and caring for his neighborhood, believing strongly in giving back to the community around him. Above all, Hal cherished time spent with his grandchildren and loved traveling the world whenever he had the opportunity.

He is survived by his beloved spouse, Elizabeth A. Havlisch; his five children; and his eleven grandchildren, all of whom brought him immense pride and happiness.

Hal was preceded in death by his mother, Genevieve Zulim Leavelle; his father, Percy Leon Havlisch; his stepfather, Keith Leavelle; his grandson, Levi;

his uncles Pete and John; and his aunts Annie and Dorothy.

Hal will be remembered for his generosity, his love of music, his dedication to his profession, and his unwavering care for his family, friends, and community.

His presence will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

DEC 29. 11:30 AM (PT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Best friend ever*

Romanos Raad - April 25 at 03:14 PM



“ *I only knew Hal for a very short time. We met at a "Parents Without Partners" event, and began going to events together. At one point he held a party for a Client at his home and invited me. He made it a point to introduce me to Carol Gdula, whom he knew to be a Single Slovak Woman, as she was leaving the party. I'm part Slovak also, and Hal knew it, hence the introduction. She and I talked for several hours and we made a date for the next day. We married several years later. Hal knew I began seeing her, but I'm not sure he knew that we married. His kind and thoughtfulness brought me much happiness ! Thanks Hal !!!*

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