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Dick was born in Portland Oregon to Philip and Lorraine (Splidsboel) Bryant. His parents, his older sister Kathleen, and Dick moved to Bellevue Washington when Dick was 11. Younger brother Joe joined the family shortly after. Dick graduated from Bellevue High School in 1965, then enrolled at the University of Washington. He and Nancy met and married while students at the UW. Their son, Eric, was born in 1967. Dick graduated with a Bachelor of Architecture degree in 1970. The family moved to St. Paul, Minnesota where Nancy completed a master's degree at the University of Minnesota. Dick worked for Midwest Planning and Research in Minneapolis, then Stahl and Associates in Bloomington until 1974 when they moved back to the Pacific Northwest, settling in Corvallis.

Dick began his long architectural career in Eugene, beginning with William W. Wilson and Associates, growing the company to Wilson, Bryant, Gunderson and Seider Architecture and Planning, which evolved to WBGS Architecture and Planning, one of the largest architecture firms in the Willamette Valley. Among his many projects during his 29 year tenure with the firm Dick designed the Bohemia Elementary School in Cottage Grove and other school buildings in Corvallis, Philomath, Florence and Junction City. Dick also designed the Corvallis Boys and Girls Club building.

After retiring from WBGS in 2003 Dick opened his own architectural firm in Corvallis, Alta Vista Design. Among his projects locally was the Benton County Historical Society Collections Center. His son Eric worked with him on this project and others. He had planned to retire for good at the end of December.

In Corvallis, Dick gave his time and expertise to the Riverfront Commission, to the Benton County Parks Board, the Historic Resources Commission, and the Dental Clinic at the Boys and Girls Club of Corvallis.

Dick was an Oregon Registered Architect, and gave much to the profession of architecture. He served as president of the American Institute of Architects Southwestern Oregon Chapter two separate terms, was the president of AIA Oregon state chapter, and served for many years on the AIAOR's Legislative Committee.

Dick suffered a severe heart attack on November 27. He passed away on December 12, 2017. He is survived by his wife Nancy, son Eric, fiancée Carla and granddaughter Mariah. Also surviving him are his sister Kathleen and her husband Nic, two nieces, two nephews and their children and his brother Joe. He will be greatly missed.

# Comments

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“ My deepest sympathy to Nancy and to the entire family.

Lisa Ede

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