



## John Hampton Bowers, M.D.

*Feb. 17, 1942 ~ Oct. 13, 2021*

John Hampton Bowers, M.D. born to Judith Hampton and John E. Bowers on February 17, 1942 in Phoenix Arizona passed away on October 13, 2021 at the University of Utah Medical Center from multiple health issues.

John grew up in Salt Lake City where he graduated from Highland High School. He attended Stanford University and the University of Utah for undergraduate studies, and later earned his Medical Degree from the University of Utah. Afterward he did his medical internship at Duke University. Following his internship, he served in the Army and was stationed at Schofield Barracks in Hawaii. After completing his military service, he returned to Salt Lake for his residency in Gastroenterology, serving for a year as chief resident. He went into private practice as a Gastroenterologist in 1978 until the time of first retirement. After retiring from private practice, he went back to the University of Utah to teach at the medical school, and he also worked as a Gastroenterologist at the Veterans Administration hospital. He continued in both of these pursuits until he fully retired.

While John was a student in medical school, he met Nancy Cockayne and they were married May 2, 1969. They later welcomed two beautiful children into their lives: Wade Hampton and Jaime Allison. John was physically active throughout his life. He ran a marathon, was an accomplished skier and an excellent golfer. He and Nancy loved traveling with groups of friends on golf trips, often returning to their favorite spot, Carmel California, and the Pebble Beach golf course. He especially enjoyed being on the golf course at Hidden Valley Country Club where he served as President of the Board of Directors. Playing golf with his good friends, followed by a rousing game of Gin Rummy, was the highlight of his week and remained in his blood to the end. He had a passion for fine automobiles that lasted throughout his life. His ownership of a DeLorean is a fond memory for family and friends. John also enjoyed the outdoors. The family cabin in Holiday Park was a memorable retreat throughout his life.

John was a thoughtful, quiet, and observant man, whose intellect was well respected. His family appreciated his kindness, patience, compassion, and his dry sense of humor. His observant ways, and dry humor were often illustrated by a witty comment added to a conversation when nobody thought he was paying attention. His family is

relieved that his suffering is over and will miss him terribly.

A special thanks to Dr. Barry Stults for his compassionate care of John over the past few years.

He is survived by his wife Nancy, his son Wade and daughter Jaime Welch, his four wonderful grandchildren, Jasmine, Cameron, Bridger and Zoe, his sister Carolyn Astin and niece Kim Astin. A family graveside service was held October 18th at Larkin Sunset Lawn. A celebration of his life will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, those who wish may donate to a charity of their choice.