



Charles Grove MacDermed Jr

July 29, 1937 - October 25, 2022

No obituary found for this tribute.

Previous Events

Graveside Service

OCT **28**. 11:00 AM (PT)

Mountain View Cemetery
5000 Piedmont Avenue
Oakland, CA 94611

Interment

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Tribute Wall

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“*Forgive my obscure connection to Charles MacDermed, I give my deepest sympathies to his loved ones and am so very sorry for this tragic loss. The flower house owned by Mr. MacDermed is only a few blocks from my family’s home. I was first shown the remarkable home at just six years old, and in my childhood and teenage years I spent many rainy afternoons playing in the half-built house. During some of the most difficult years of my life it was a remarkable and unique solace. I will start my second year of Architecture school in just a few weeks, and the flower house will forever remain my first inspiration; it’s tall steel windows are a keyhole through which I first glimpsed the architectural world.*

I never had the pleasure of meeting Mr. MacDermed, I offer his loved ones my most sincere condolences. I hope that the future owners of the flower house will honor his incredible vision.

*Again, my belated condolences,
Hazel*

Hazel - August 11, 2023 at 03:41 AM



“ I met Charles and his son Liam while we were in line at the Pacific Film Archive many years ago. He hosted a book discussion group of mine at his Berkeley house. Over the years, we went to many films together, a Stanford Buddhist retreat and had dinner many times together and with his wife Varya. I attended his "First Sunday" group at their house and got to meet many of his friends. We went to Berkeley Rep Theater many times.

I enjoyed his company and his many "laughs" - it started with a laugh then built up until he was overcome with joy and ecstasy. I always felt close to Charles and he was easy to talk to. At his seventieth birthday party, I met his daughter and members of his extended family.

After not hearing from Charles and Varya for a while, I got an email from Varya regarding his health. I sent him a book and two annual birthday cards and heard back from him via email.

I feel close to Varya and the kids and send them my deepest condolences.

JP Kempkes - November 25, 2022 at 06:28 PM