

Mark Goodman Feinknopf, born October 15, 1936, died, August 28, 2021, beloved and loving father, husband, partner, uncle, cousin, and most importantly friend. If you read no further, what you need to know is that Mark loved his fellow man, he loved his community, and spent his life trying to make the world around him a better place. Mark was born in Bexley, Ohio to Kay Goodman Feinknopf and Mark Dallet Feinknopf (deceased). He attended the Columbus Academy and was a proud member of the Class of 1954. After the Academy, he went to Yale University in Engineering (1958). He then spent 1958-1959 in the Army before going to Harvard Graduate School of Design (1963), where he subsequently graduated first in his class.

He could have gone anywhere but decided to return to his hometown of Columbus to join his father's architectural firm, Mark Feinknopf and Associates, which later became Feinknopf, Macioce & Schappa (FMS) architects. He also taught at Ohio State University from 1963-1971. He was the AIA Columbus President in 1979 and was honored as an AIA Fellow, AIA's highest membership honor for their exceptional work and contributions to architecture and society. Over his career in architecture, Mark worked on many notable Columbus projects as an architect, or master planner, including The Southern Theater, The North Market, The City Center Mall, The Columbus Zoo, The Wilds, The Columbus Museum of Art, Harding Hospital, Red Roof Inns, St. Joseph's Cathedral, Supreme Court of Ohio, Capital University, Riverside Hospitals, Methodist Theological Seminary, Worthington Industries, many of the suburban libraries including Upper Arlington, Worthington and Bexley and The Franklin County Courts Building, as well as, many community-oriented and city planning endeavors like Capital South, AmeriFlora'92, Together 2000, Ohio Regional Planning Commission as well as acting as City Planner for the City of Bexley for 23 years.

In 1996 Mark lost his wife, Sheila Levison Feinknopf, and thus began the second phase of his life. He met Cynthia Moe (Life Partner) and they co-founded the Compassionate Communication of Central Ohio (CCCO) whose mission was, and continues to be, to engage with communities and others connecting through common needs, transforming conflict, and enhancing the quality of life through the principles and practices of Nonviolent CommunicationSM. They also created Sacred Space Inc with the goals of supporting individuals, corporations, and communities in building sacred environments, experiences, and relationships, bringing people together, and improving the quality of life and the interconnectedness of all people.

Mark spent his later years in Tucker, GA keeping in close contact with his family of friends in Columbus, contributing to community projects, offering NVC learning opportunities and reveling in his whimsical home in the woods surrounded by creativity, sculpture, and much love.

He is preceded in death by loving wife Sheila L. Feinknopf and sister Ellen F. Mack. Mark is survived by devoted Life Partner, Cynthia Sipes Ugan Moe, loving children, Mark Bradley Feinknopf (Abby), Kim Feinknopf-Dorrian (Joe), stepsons Kevin Ugan (Andrew), Steven Ugan (Pam), brother-in-law Theodore Mack, Columbus grandchildren, Jackson Feinknopf, Mason Dorrian, Miles Feinknopf and Laine Dorrian, Atlanta grandchildren, Sarah Ugan Stice, Savannah Ugan, Jessica Ugan Glanton and Isaac Ugan, and great grandchild Clara Stice, nieces and nephews, Katherine Mack, Elizabeth Allen-Mack, Alexandra Zapetello, Brent Levison & Kevin Levison.

A private graveside service will be held for the family at Greenlawn Cemetery and a Celebration of Mark's Life will take place at the Jeffrey Mansion (165 North Parkview, Bexley, OH, 43209) on Sunday, September 26, 2021, between the hours of 1pm-4pm. The family invites all attendees to bring a written memory of Mark or email it to: MGFMemories@gmail.com, which will be collected and compiled into a book as a keepsake of Mark's legacy for the family.

(The family requests that all unvaccinated attendees please wear a mask.)

In lieu of flowers, please make charitable contributions to the Mark G. Feinknopf Legacy Fund to benefit Mark's many community passions. It will be administered via The Columbus Foundation (1234 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43205, <https://columbusfoundation.org>).