

Celebration of Life for Hiroshi Fujimoto & 50th Anniversary of Monterey Gymnastics Center

Sunday May 4, 1:00 – 4:00 pm

Location: Monterey Beach Party, 285 Figueroa Street, Monterey

Please join us on May 4th in a celebration of the extraordinary life of Hiroshi Fujimoto, co-founder of the Monterey Gymnastics Center and head gymnastics coach for decades, who peacefully ended a courageous battle with cancer on February 28, 2014. Hiroshi was an outstanding gymnast and an incomparable coach and mentor not just here on the Peninsula, but throughout the greater western US gymnastics community. Hiroshi's expertise in coaching, and his distinctive quiet and calm demeanor were well recognized at all levels of the sport. Thousands of gymnasts and their families were forever changed by his goodness, quiet strength, and fierce commitment to others.

This year marks the proud but bittersweet 50th anniversary of the opening of the Monterey Gymnastics Center (now called the Monterey Bay Academy of Gymnastics, Dance, and Cheer), making it the oldest privately owned gymnastics facility in the United States.

This celebration is a chance to reflect upon Hiroshi's legacy, share stories, and commemorate Hiroshi's many accomplishments and joys.

Dress is casual, and children are very welcome. Bring a potluck item, photos to contribute to a scrapbook, and memories to share. Food and conversation start at 1:00, speeches and remembrances will be from 2:00 to 3:00, and s'mores and bonfire will be from 3:00 to 4:00. There will be a no host bar, and donations at the door are much appreciated.

Contributions in Hiroshi's memory may be given at the door or may be made to: Union Bank, Main 1-170c, 495 Washington Street, Monterey, CA 93940, Acct. No. 0043729243. Donations will be used to defray outstanding medical costs, cover memorial service costs, and go towards continuing his legacy at the gym.

Rest in Peace, Hiroshi



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