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Dedication

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1949–2019

Archaeologist and PCAS Curator

Mark developed an early love of science through his childhood friendship with Dr. Ed Wilson, then of the San Diego Natural History Museum. He earned a bachelor’s degree in anthropology and embarked on a long career in both archaeology and paleontology. Mark performed extensive fieldwork in both disciplines for more than 40 years. His labwork focused on identification and analysis of fishes. He created an extensive personal collection of fish skeletons to use in this work. Mark published extensively in addition to the many cultural and paleontological mitigation reports he prepared.

Mark was passionate about educating others—both children and colleagues. He worked in schools presenting units on both archaeology and paleontology and had his own extensive teaching collection. In addition, when he learned something new, such as discovering paleosols in the deserts of the Inland Empire, he communicated with colleagues and offered to take them to see the deposits. He was generous with both his time and his knowledge.

Mark was a longtime member of PCAS and served as curator for many years. He participated in many PCAS outreach events, and his paleontology table was always a favorite of students. Everyone who had the pleasure of interacting with Mark was touched by his good nature.