

Myron Allen Lieberman



Myron 80, of Tempe, a lifelong advocate of chess, music, technology, and laughter, passed away quietly on 12/24/21.

Born September 3, 1941 in Los Angeles, Myron attended ASU, where he met his eventual bride-to-be, Rachel. According to Myron, he saw her from across the room at a school dance “eating ice cubes with a fork”. It was love at first sight.

He started the Motorola Chess Club (which became Tempe Chess Club) and served as an officer of the U.S. Chess Federation (USCF) and secretary of the U.S. Chess Trust.

Myron loved music and (along with Rachel) was a fixture on the local acoustic music scene, supporting artists, attending concerts and writing articles about music in Arizona. Whether he was enjoying a live concert, directing a chess tournament, plucking his upright bass, reading a Mad Magazine or drinking a chocolate coke with no ice, Myron kept things interesting. He made a lasting impact and will be deeply missed.

Myron is survived by his wife Rachel; children Larry and Linda (and their families); and grandchildren Brandon and Adam Lieberman.

A small private service was held. Donations can be made to: U.S. Chess Trust (<http://www.uschesstrust.org/>) or Musical Instrument Museum (<https://mim.org/>).