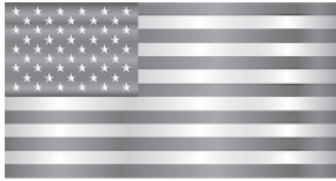
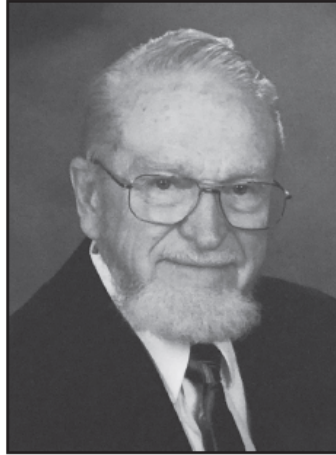


John F. Dumbrill
December 6, 1932 — December 26, 2023



John F. Dumbrill of Santa Rosa, California passed peacefully on December 26, 2023, at the age of 91. He was born in Upton, on December 6, 1932, to Harold and Frances Dumbrill.

He was preceded in death by his first wife Patricia A. Dumbrill and his third wife Sally Fife. Additionally, he was preceded by his father, Harold R. Dumbrill, mother, Frances F. Dumbrill, brother Richard Dumbrill and sisters Phyllis Williams and Mary Pringle.

John served in the U.S. Army as an Infantry Unit Commander and an instructor from 1954 to 1956. He attended the Art Students League of New York, New York and earned a tuition scholarship to the University of Wyoming where he earned his B.A. in 1954 and his M.A. in 1957.

He was a life-long artist and taught art at Western College for Women in Oxford, Ohio; University of Wyoming in Laramie; Laramie County Community College and Carey Junior High School in Cheyenne; and Aurora Central High School in Aurora, Colorado.

He was also a civil rights activist with the Cheyenne Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) and with groups fighting for the rights of Native Americans. He was a life-long teacher of art and philosophy. He will always be remembered as a devoted father, husband, and lover of nature.

He is survived by his son, Daniel Dumbrill (Stephanie) of Santa Rosa; daughter Sia Davis (John) of Denver Colorado; son Kenneth Dumbrill of Santa Rosa; daughter Tahirih Solomon (Roderic) of Stafford, Virginia; daughter Taruh Dumbrill of Florence, Arizona; grandchildren, Jonah Davis, Troi Davis, Noah Solomon, Aaronn Solomon, Shay Garcia and great-granddaughter Devyn Davis as well as many nieces and nephews and his faithful friend, Cabo the Dog.

A celebration of his life will be held on June 23, 2024, in Wyoming. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the animal rescue of your choice.
