

T H P P A N 10, 2013

Thomas H. Pagenhart, Professor Emeritus of the Department of Geography and Environmental Studies, passed away November 10, 2013 at his residence in Castro Valley, California. He began his career at CSU, Hayward (East Bay) in 1964. He retired in 1991.

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*Thomas Harsha Pagenhart, 92, died peacefully on Sunday, November 10, 2013 at his residence, Baywood Court in Castro Valley. He was born January 11, 1921 in Seattle, WA, and grew up in Washington, D.C., Manila, and Santa Cruz, CA. He attended Santa Cruz High and San José State University. As a naval officer during WWII, he participated in the Normandy Invasion at Omaha Beach. He received his Ph.D. from UC Berkeley in 1969, and taught Geography at California State University at Hayward until retiring in 1991. He was an accomplished pianist, a graceful dancer, an unrepentant imp, and a near-tireless optimist. His charm was unfailing and directed to absolutely everyone he met. He will be dearly missed. Tom is survived by two daughters, Anne (Trond) and Polly (Jennifer). An informal*