



## Ian Michael Bacon

March 9, 1940 - April 17, 2018

Ian Michael Bacon of Lakewood Ranch, died at Tidewell Hospice House in Bradenton on April 17th. Ian was the epitome of an English Gentleman. He was gracious, soft spoken, intelligent, generous, kind and very well-liked by all.

Born 3/9/1940 in Canterbury England where he graduated from the Old King School-“OKS”. Ian worked in property development in England, Spain, Barbados and eventually in the United State. In 1978 he moved his family to work at Forest City in Cleveland, Ohio. After his retirement in 2003 he and Galen moved to the Sarasota area.

Ian, an avid golfer, was a member of the LWR golf club. He loved his weekly volunteering at the Southeastern Guide Dogs where the puppies had to learn commands via his British accent.

He is also remembered as a former elected member of the CEVA board of directors in Lakewood Ranch where he also chaired the CEVA landscape committee. He’s described as having a delightful, dry sense of humor and a calm thoughtfulness.

Ian was devoted to his family. He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Galen, his daughter Sarah Jane Lyons, son Jonathan Gil Bacon and granddaughter Sage Hannah Lyons.

During his illness and his death, Ian displayed the same dignity by which he led his life.

Services will be private.

Memorial donations may be made to: Southeastern Guide Dogs, 4210 77th St. East, Palmetto, FL 34221 or Tidewell Hospice, Philanthropy Dept., 5955 Rand Blvd, Sarasota, FL 34230 .

# Tribute Wall

DB

“ I was a volunteer with Ian at the Southeastern Guide Dogs. He always brought a smile to everyone he came in contact with human and dogs alike. He will be sadly missed by all. My sympathies to his family.

Denise Behm - April 27, 2018 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you in your time of grief. May your memories bring you comfort.

Charles Beres - April 26, 2018 at 12:00 AM

PK

“ I was a volunteer at Southeastern Guide dogs with Ian. How he loved all the dogs! It was a pleasure to volunteer with him. He was an amazing man and will be missed...

Peg Kmak - April 26, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ As a former volunteer at Southeastern, I had the privilege of working with Ian when he first started volunteering there. He was such a kind and gentle man, and will be sorely missed by all whose lives he touched.  
Susan Taylor

April 26, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ Galen,  
We are so sorry to hear of Ian's passing. So many memories of our times together in Medina; golf, dinners, fun and laughter. Remembering our driving trip with you and Ian to New Orleans for the Johnson wedding and hanging out at your home while hurricane Wilma passed through Naples. Our condolences to you, your children, Sarah & Jonathan and granddaughter, Sage. We know you will miss his presence in your lives.  
Mike & Donna Sharak

April 26, 2018 at 12:00 AM

GP

“ *It is with such sadness that I offer my condolences to Ian's family. I was a fellow volunteer who had the pleasure of working with him at SEGD. I will miss the twinkle in his eye and his lovely sense of humor. He loved the puppies and they loved him. He will be missed and the world is a sadder place without him.* Gina Portesi

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**Gina Portesi** - April 25, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ *lit a candle in memory of Ian Michael Bacon*



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