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Born to Paul and Lily Schenker, née Moor, in Aarburg, Switzerland on September 10, 1929, Heinz passed peacefully at home, in his sleep on May 6, 2014 in Honolulu, Hawaii.

After mandatory school in Aarburg, Heinz earned a business degree and practiced his accounting trade with several companies in German and French speaking Switzerland. As a young adult, Heinz's wanderlust and desire for adventures brought him to Ontario, Canada, where he held many jobs, from bus boy/waiter/chef to gold and diamond miner, lumberjack, and logging truck driver. His early years in North America were source of many entertaining and thrilling stories.

In 1960 Heinz immigrated to the US and found a footing in St. Thomas, US Virgin Islands. There he met Helene Schenker, married and adopted her son Lance Schenker. He was comptroller of Island Block of St Thomas in the sixties and seventies. Heinz was an avid marine enthusiast, mastering most aspects of marine activities. After island living, in 1973, he moved to the Rockies and delighted once more in winter activities. He resided in several Colorado towns, including Leadville where he was airport manager.

Following an air taxi pilot stint in the Mariana Islands, in 1980, Heinz relocated to Honolulu and was comptroller to a few local firms until his retirement. While living in Hawaii he continued to travel and explore the world, ride horses, and read voraciously. He liked to chat about his 16 trips to Alaska, his other home, and crisscrossing North America twice with his closest friends, Larry and Irene. He visited Yap, Micronesia, numerous times to work and leisure at the Manta Ray Bay Hotel and Dive Resort and was very proud of diving to 70 feet for his 70th birthday.

Enamored by aviation from an early age, he flew in the Caribbean islands, US mainland, Micronesia, Hawaii, and Alaska. He held a commercial pilot license for airplane single and multi-engine land and sea, was a glider pilot, and he worked as flight instructor and air taxi pilot. Heinz had a special affinity for glider flying and introduced many to soaring.



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His son Lance Schenker, daughter in law Patricia, and two grandchildren, Delaney and Dresdner, proudly carry his Schenker name forward. Heinz is survived by nieces and nephews in Switzerland, Germany, and Mexico. His closest friends, Alaskans Larry Pellegrino and Irene Pannatier were family to him. Some of his other long-time friends include Jeff and Toby Hoff on the Big Island; Alice Hollin, Otto Mazenhauer, Harry and Adoration McCutcheon, Wendy Pangburn, and Marcus and Sandy Smaby on Oahu; Werner and Silvia Fisher in Switzerland, Lily Kraft and Peter Loos in California, Sylvia Kudirka and Augie Hollen in St-Thomas, Erwin and Alice Muller in Arizona, and Fran Scripture in Colorado. He will be dearly missed by many others across the continents.



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André Gauer posted:

First of all, I want to apologize from my heart for my late reaction, here. Secondly, I want to also express my heartfelt thank you to Larry and Irène for informing me immediately of Heinz's passing away in May 2014. Reason for my delay is basically my health situation as well as my relocation to my new home country in 2014. I first met Heinz in 1988 while being a glider plane student at Dillingham Airfield in Northern Oahu. We soon became friends, and he also taught me things that no other flight instructor did, thanks to his passion and wide experience. From then on, we had contact until shortly of his passing away for which he was longing for due to his state of health etc. as he told me on one of the Skype sessions. Therefore, I wish from all of my soul that he arrived well on the other side and found what is right for his soul. About soul as well as many other subjects, we had many discussions, quite interesting and challenging (in good ways, naturally). He was a very dear friend, and I am so grateful of all what he gave me in so many regards. He was of great help in many ways. Well, I guess that I should not get into detail(s) here too much. I still often think of him, and when Otto was recently visiting here, we were talking about Heinz as well. Not the least to mention that I live here where I am now, because of one of the many suggestions by Heinz. I'd like to add three pictures of the many Christmas Cards that Heinz did send me over the years. Heinz, you'll have a very unique place in my heart forever. Blessings and thank you, again, André Gauer, Philippines

September 30 at 12:33 PM



Duri Candrian posted:

I am very sad to hear that Heinz has left us. After I first time came to Honolulu in the early eighties, he introduced me into the local Swiss community. Not to mention the numerous flight hours that we spent on the Dillingham Airfield, where he has taught me how to fly glider planes. Or the time that we spent off the coast of Honolulu, where we have tried to get my new sailboat under control. Although I have returned back to Switzerland a few years ago, we have never lost contact. It was a pleasure to chat with Heinz about his many adventures and to see how his eyes began to glow. Just a few weeks before his death, we have talked about visiting him in Honolulu at the end of the year. Well Heinz, I hope you have found that place in paradise, that you have been looking for! Duri Candrian, Switzerland

November 29 at 5:21 PM

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Fran Scripture posted:

Heinz taught me how to ski in Leadville. He also gave me my only glider ride in Steamboat Springs. He was one of a kind, and a good friend. Fran Scripture

June 14 at 1:24 AM



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Anonymous posted:

May 22 at 4:17 AM



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Irene Pannatier shared an album called **A few memories with Larry and Irene.**

May 22 at 4:16 AM





Irene Pannatier shared 17 photos to the **A few memories with Larry and Irene** album.

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**Monty Roberts Horse Whisperer Solvang CA
2007**



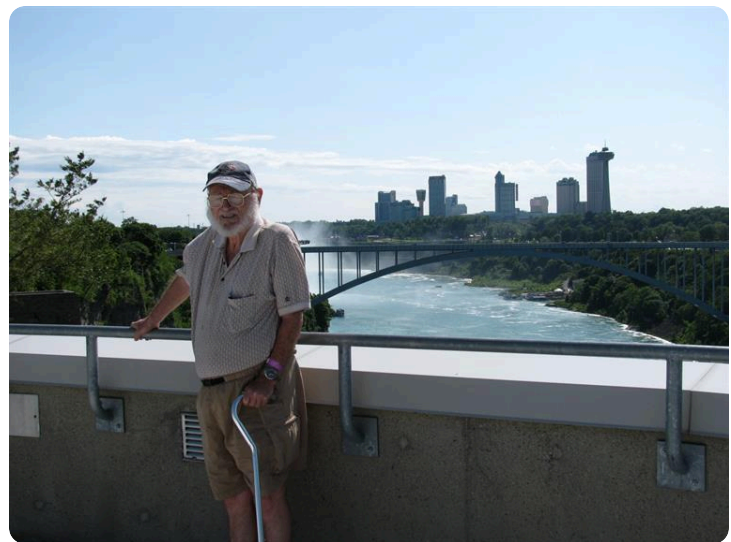
**Moto Guzzi Richard Souigny Larry Tucson AZ
2007**



With Erwin Muller in Cottonwood AZ 2007 trip around North America w Larry



New Orleans Jackson Square 2007



Niagara Falls 2009 trip PA-AK w Irene



Nome AK BOD 2011



Nome AK 2011



Cree MT 2009 PA-AK w Irene



Dawson City Yukon 2006



Nome AK 2011with Tour Guide Richard Beneville



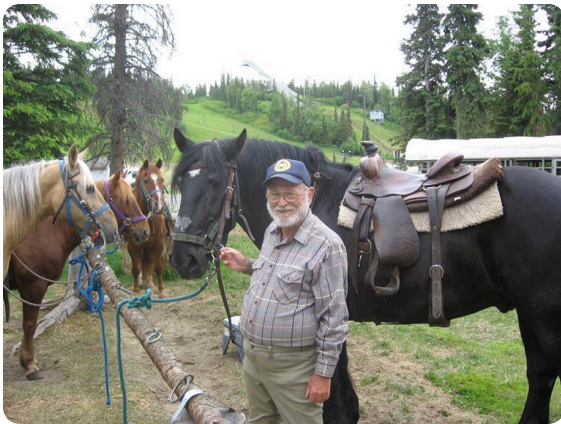
Safety AK 2011



Shy Boy Monty Roberts Ranch Solvang CA 2007



Eagle River AK June 2008



Anchorage Hillside June 2008



Anvil Mountain AK July 2011



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Swiss Day August 1 Eagle River with CH friends
2011



Chicken AK trip to Yukon w Larry 2006



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Join us in honoring Heinz by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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