

Tom & Beth Hinkle

By Diane Uli

Tom and Beth lived most of their lives in the San Gabriel Valley.

Beth retired from Rio Hondo College where she worked in the computer center. Tom retired from the San Gabriel Valley Tribune, where he was a news photographer.

In addition to a passion for protection of the country's forests, Tom and Beth's love for animals was deeply felt. They supported numerous domestic and wild animal rescue organizations. Throughout their lives, they adopted shelter dogs, most from the Baldwin Park Animal Care Center. Their house was always filled with happy and healthy dogs of assorted sizes who lived their best lives with Tom and Beth.

Whenever the family got together for large family dinners, Tom and Beth's dogs stayed home but any of the other family dogs in attendance knew which end of the table to gather—under Uncle Tom's chair, knowing they would get little tidbits of dinner. And we always sent Tom and Beth home with Doggy Bags for their canine kids.

Our family is very proud to administer Tom and Beth's Trust as they directed and wished—by contributing to the Baldwin Park Animal Care Center through the Los Angeles County Animal Care Foundation and other charities linked to the care of animals and the Redwoods.