

CHARLES F. McGLASHAN, IV
July 15, 1961 - March 27, 2011

The Memorial Celebration will be April 9th, 2011 Marin Center Veterans' Auditorium, 10 Avenue of the Flags, San Rafael
11 AM - the doors open at 10:30

Marin County has lost a visionary leader with the untimely passing of Charles McGlashan, Marin County's Third District Supervisor. Charles died suddenly and tragically on Sunday, March 27 of an apparent heart attack in Lake Tahoe, a place to which he had deep family ties and had loved since boyhood. He is survived by his wife, Carol Misseldine, their dog, Bonnie, their three cats, their large family, as well as friends and colleagues too numerable to count who all greatly mourn his passing.

Charles felt it was an honor to serve. He leaves a legacy of environmental stewardship that was inspired and passionate, as well as pragmatic. His many accomplishments during his short political career include the formation of SMART, the Marin Economic Forum and the Marin Energy Authority. He wrote legislation that banned polystyrene food take-out containers and single-use plastic bags. He championed underrepresented communities, and fought for fairness for all. His focus was on achieving true sustainability bringing equity, the environment and the economy into proper balance, meeting the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs. He touched lives and inspired people throughout our community and beyond.

We all have something to contribute to improving the world and he tapped that brilliantly. If you want to know what you can do to honor Charles' memory, just pick up the trash along your hiking trail, walk or ride your bike to your town center, use public transportation and carpool, give up meat one a day a week, buy local and organic food, bring a reusable bag when you shop, generate less trash, use renewable energy, bring your own steel (not plastic!) water bottle to meetings, bring your own mug to the coffee shop and show up to champion good policies at your local city and town council meetings and at this Board of Supervisors' hearings, as well. Be considerate of others...and of the delicate balance of life on this planet.

The District Three staff continues to serve the constituents of Southern Marin. His aides, Maureen Parton and Leslie Alden, carry out the work of the office and remain available at all times to the community for help with any County-related services needed. Supervisor McGlashan's seat will remain vacant until the Governor of California appoints a replacement, who shall hold office until the election and qualification of a successor, per state law.

Adjournment