

Part-time Grossmont College English instructor, 1976.

James Galas Ph.D. Obituary



GALAS Ph.D, JAMES P. Age 93, born in Lynn, MA, died on Friday, September 18, 2009. He became a resident of San Diego in 1951. He graduated with a Master's Degree from Boston University and later earned a Ph.D degree from Walden University. He spent over 40 years teaching Junior High in El Cajon, San Diego High School, San Diego City College and the Educational Complex in Southeast San Diego. He was well liked by his students. His colleagues voted him the Educator of the Year. He thoroughly enjoyed teaching English, Humanities and Music. He played with the Army Ordinance band in Baltimore for many years and also played in dance bands locally. He is survived by his wife, Georgianna, former school principal in San Diego; his daughter Diamanda, a well known composer world-wide from New York; and nieces Mary Rojas, San Diego; Patricia Stockbridge, MA; and a nephew Vincent Cuoco, San Francisco. Mr. Galas was also the father of the late playwright, Philip-Dimitri. He belonged to the California Retired Teachers Association, NEA, AFT, CTA and to many local civic organizations. No services will be held. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the California Retired Teachers Association (CRTA) Scholarship Foundation c/o Barbara Bethel, 8109 Dubois Dr., San Diego, CA 92117-1925 or to San Diego City College Foundation, 1313 Park Blvd., 92101.