

**Ronald J. Sanko (ACAS 1973)
1938-2012**

MENTOR, FRIEND, SPORTSMAN

Ronald Sanko died on March 14, 2012. He was 73.

He was born in Inglewood, California on November 27, 1938, the son of James N. and Anna M. DeSalvo Sanko. He served in U.S. Navy for three years and was a member of Phi Beta Kappa. Sanko graduated from the University of Oregon in 1965 with a bachelor's degree in mathematics.

Sanko spent much of his career in the actuarial department at State Farm Insurance Companies, where he worked for 31 years. He became an Associate of the Casualty Actuarial Society in 1973.

Sanko was a board member with the Prairie Cities Soccer League in Normal, Illinois, and helped to establish the local high school girls' soccer program. He was also an avid hunter and fisherman. Sanko was an understanding husband, father, mentor and friend, who was often there to help whenever you needed an extra hand, guidance or just a little reassurance.

Sanko is survived by his wife, Mary L. Beechler, and two children, Dale (Laura) Sanko, Cincinnati, Ohio; and Jill (Joshua) Taylor, Walnut Creek, California. The family requests memorials be made to the building fund at Calvary United Methodist Church in Normal, the American Heart Association or the Glaucoma Research Foundation.