

I am sad to convey the passing of our friend [Jeff](#) Dalton (Dykzeul). He died peacefully at home in Templeton Ca on Friday, October 28 from the lymphoma he'd been fighting for 9 years.

Jeff had no idea his time was so short, his health rapidly deteriorated in a matter of a few weeks. I'm sure his death comes as a surprise to many of his friends who wished to say their goodbyes in person. However, Jeff dealt with his health issues in a private way and while I know he cared about all of us he chose to spend his remaining time and minimal strength with his daughter Jaclyn Taylor.

Jeff's passions included cycling, music, wine and food. Not only did he enjoy these things, he created community around them - encouraging others by leading rides, organizing music events and enjoying the company of friends over a meal and a bottle of wine.

In the last weeks, Jeff was well cared for in his home by his daughter Jaclyn, the staff of Wilshire Hospice and his friend, former Hospice manager, Sonnie Brown. Robi, Galina, Tim and Lydia supported him with music and companionship. There were many deep conversations and light-hearted laughter. He died knowing his family and friends loved him.

A memorial will be planned and notification will be sent out well in advance. As Jaclyn wrote, "...the best way to honor my father's memory is to go live. Get outside, ride your bike and play your song, do that thing you've been putting off. Life is precious and all too brief not to do the things that make you happy."

Jeff asked that in lieu of flowers contributions be made to:

Bike SLO County; formerly SLO Bike Coalition
www.bikeslocounty.org/donate.3

Hospice of SLO County
www.hospiceslo.org

Thank you to Jaclyn and Sonnie for sharing with me and asking that I pass it along to you.

Mike Bailey November 2, 2016