



Mr. Franklin Dale Rohter

September 8, 1923 - January 15, 2025

Frank Dale Rohter passed away on January 15 at the age of 101. He was born in Chicago, Illinois along with two brothers and one sister.

After serving in the US Navy in WWII, he returned to marry his love, Lorayne. They moved to California in 1957 with their two daughters where he worked at UCSB and the Santa Barbara Recreation Department. He earned his PhD in exercise physiology from the University of Southern California, then became a professor at Florida State University. In 1968, he joined the staff at FTU and became its first Athletic Director hiring the inaugural coaching staff. He remained at FTU then UCF until he retired in 2003. He earned Professor Emeritus status and was inducted into the UCF Athletic Hall of Fame. Besides these accomplishments and being acknowledged as an inspirational teacher to so many, he competed in numerous triathlons and road races including the Boston Marathon and Hawaii Ironman.

Frank is survived by his sister Rose Peason, two daughters Barbara Monte Carlo and Nancy Fontaine, 7 grandchildren and 1 great grandchild.

Arrangements are being handled by DeGusipe Funeral Home, under the care of director Todd M. DeGusipe. The burial will be on Saturday, January 25th at 3 pm at Glen Haven Memorial Park.

Cemetery Details

Glen Haven Memorial Park

2300 Temple drive
Winter Park, FL 32789

Previous Events

Burial

JAN 25. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Dr. Rohter/ Frank...I had the privilege of having several classes with Dr. Rohter as a student at FTU. He and my father were close friends for decades. A funny story/ memory- Frank was stubborn- while playing golf, he was famous for taking ten or more practice swings before hitting a shot. He wanted his muscles to remember the perfect swing/shot. He was great guy. Self published a book about Aristotle- very interesting. RIP All the best, Richard Hitt

Richard Hitt - June 01 at 01:08 PM

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“ Dr. Rohter was my graduate professor at UCF when I got my Masters Degree in Exercise Physiology in 1981. He was instrumental in my success as a young man and his influence in my life is almost unquantifiable. Thank you Dr. Rohter. Heaven holds a place for people of your quality. Angelo Cusimano

Angelo Cusimano - January 19, 2025 at 05:40 PM

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“ Cole Blair (Team Sisyphus 1983 UCF) planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Franklin Dale Rohter.

Cole Blair (Team Sisyphus 1983 UCF) - January 18, 2025 at 07:09 PM

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“ *Cole Blair (Team Sisyphus 1983 UCF) purchased the Treasured Lilies Spray for the family of Mr. Franklin Dale Rohter.*



Cole Blair (Team Sisyphus 1983 UCF) - January 18, 2025 at 07:09 PM