GORDEN, SCOTT

Scott Spencer Gorden, 56

OAK PARK, Calif., – Scott Spencer Gorden died Sept. 21. He was born to the late Zelig and Helen Gorden on Aug. 29, 1957, in Providence, and graduated from Warwick Veterans Memorial High School in 1975. He received bachelor's degrees in accounting and English while captaining the men's basketball team at the College of St. Josephs, in Rutland,Vt.

He moved to Los Angeles in 1980 to pursue his dream of becoming a screenwriter and worked in the entertainment industry for over 20 years, writing for shows such as, "The Golden Girls," "Full House," "Saved by the Bell" and "City Guys," in addition to writing the award-winning "An Extremely Goofy Movie."

He was passionate about passing his love of writing to the next generation, teaching at the University of Southern California, University of California at Los Angeles and Chapman, Arleta and Ner Aryeh High Schools.

He is survived by his children Zachary, Kelsey and Shea of Oak Park, his brother Mark of Washington, D.C., and ten nieces and nephews.

Contributions may be made to the City of Hope cancer center, which can be accessed online at cityofhope.org/giving.