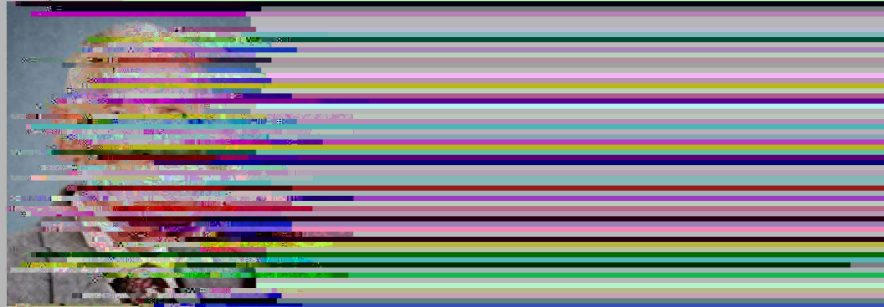




## Ned Chapin, Professor Emeritus of the Department of Accounting Information Systems, Passed Away December 27, 2014



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The following was provided by Dr. Chapin's family:

Computer Science Pioneer Ned Chapin passed away on December 27, 2014. Ned was born in Washington, Oregon, and grew up in Astoria, Oregon. In 1945, he attended Stanford University where he played percussion in the Stanford Orchestra. He received his M.A. from the University of Chicago in 1949. He received his doctorate from the University of California, Berkeley in 1950. He worked for the University of California where he lived for the rest of his life. Although he worked at Stanford Research Institute (now SRI International) for 10 years, not just during his sabbatical years, was an independent consultant, and a Professor, and later Professor Emeritus of Information Systems in the California State University system.

Dr. Ned Chapin was a leader in the field of computer science, particularly the discipline of Software Maintenance. He published more than 250 papers and conference proceedings, wrote 4 books, including "An Introduction to Embedded Computers" in 1969, the seminal general purpose commercially available microprocessor book "From Bits to Systems Approach" in 1971. He was the founding editor of the "Journal of Software Maintenance and Evolution" from 1976 to 1984. He was also a frequent speaker at conferences. For example, he was a panelist at the 1978 International Conference on Software Maintenance and Evolution in Santa Monica, California.

He was predeceased by his wife, who was a nurse. Ned is survived by his two daughters, one of whom is a nurse and one a doctor, and his son, Riddle. His hobbies included reading, gardening, fishing, and hunting for mushrooms, and advocating for the environment.

Dr. Ned Chapin was a loving and caring father of two children. He loved to see his flowers, the family requests donations to the museum. <http://www.stanford.edu>