In Memoriam: Carlos López

“Señor López cared less about the formalities of grading, attendance, etc. than he did about the health, welfare and learning experience for the students. He had a really cute sense of humor and a very gentle manner. I had the pleasure of having lunch with him a couple of years ago and it was, as it always was, time well spent. Although I never met his family, when reading the many articles after his passing I realized that even 37 years later I knew the names of his kids… that spoke volumes about his priorities.”  JOHN PRITZKER L&S’76

“He was such a wonderful person and inspirational teacher— I remember him well and am very grateful to have known him.”  LORD ROBIN RUSSELL

“I will miss our friendship and good nature.”  DOROTHY SKALA ’96

Menlo College mourns the loss of Dr. Carlos López, President Emeritus of Menlo College, who passed away March 5 at his home due to complications from cancer. “We are all saddened by the loss of Carlos, but we are also inspired by his devotion to our students and the Menlo Community,” stated President G. Timothy Haight. The family asks that at this time in lieu of sending flowers, tributes may be sent to Menlo College. Contributions will go towards the Carlos López Endowed Scholarship Fund.
“Carlos was our coach when I was on the 1965 soccer team. Thanks to him, life values he taught us and exposed us to are part of my life and I will always cherish that. You are indeed most fortunate to have had him as your family member—such a special individual. I will miss him, but I have joy with the wonderful memories of Señor López.”  
MICHAEL LUM L&S’65

“Menlo has lost a great friend and benefactor in the person of Carlos López. Carlos was and will always be one of my favorite professors at Menlo College. He has influenced the lives of countless members of the Menlo community and I was just one among the many. Thank you Menlo College for gifted instructors like Carlos López.”  
RUSSELL ANDAVALL ’69

“In honor of the Great Carlos López—He was one of the world’s all time best.”  
PATRICK FAST

“Don Carlos is my ‘American father’. He taught me how to be a better person and how to have a positive influence on the people around me; thus, make them better persons too. This simple philosophy makes the world a better place to live in.”  
DANIEL REGAS SBA’89

“Dr. Carlos López has a wonderful personality. He had amazing dinners at the president’s house and always welcomed the women’s soccer team. Best wishes to his family and friends.”  
EMILY MOORE ’08

“Dr. López was a fabulous person. We will miss him.”  
BEN, CAROLYNE, AND MICHAEL COHN

“Carlos was a wonderful gentleman who contributed so much to Menlo College and I know he will be greatly missed.”  
CAROL C. EYRE

President Emeritus 2004-2006

Carlos López (left) at Commencement 2008