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Longtime South Lake Tahoe local Ronson Sakioka passed away Dec. 21, 2017. He was 64.

Ronson was struck by a vehicle in Nevada City after attending the Victorian Christmas Festival with family.

He was born and raised in San Jose. When he was in his early 20s he went skiing in South Lake Tahoe and never returned home.

Skiing was his passion. He was the friendliest guy you could meet on the ski lift. He taught ski lessons at Sierra-at-Tahoe in the early 1970s. Ronson also enjoyed tennis and getting together with his many friends. He could always be counted on for a big smile and fist bump.

Ronson owned and operated GGM Repair and Service. Many South Shore residents experienced his fine handiwork over the years. He worked on kitchen equipment for countless restaurants, sometimes in the middle of the night so the kitchens would not have any down time.

Ronson married late in life and will be greatly missed by his wife, Jackie. He also leaves behind his father, Frank Sakioka, sister Sheryn Kasianchuk, brother Glenn Sakioka, aunt Satomi Togo, nephews Daniel and Michael Kasianchuk and stepson Rick Norlie.

Ronson was preceded in death by mother Shizuko Sakioka and brother-in-law Walt Kasianchuk.

A celebration of life will be in the spring at Heavenly Mountain Resort.