



A Remembrance of Donald Joseph Hutchison

1949—1971



Donald Joseph Hutchison, “Hutch”, entered Coronado High School in 1965. He was a member of the International and Art Clubs; he also appeared in Hi-Jinks and the Senior Class Play, *A Tale of Chelm*.

Friends remember Hutch’s love of folk music, often saving up to purchase everything produced by artists such as Bob Dylan, Dave Van Ronk, and others. Hutch was also an accomplished guitar and banjo player who was always ready with a new folk song to share.

A friend remembers a classic anecdote about Hutch, relating the story that, after he had spent many weeks learning his lines to play the old-man Bookseller in *A Tale of Chelm*, he decided to test his readiness to play the part by getting into full costume with make-up, then setting out that evening for the liquor store at 9th and Orange, to discover if he could purchase a bottle of Country Club Malt Liquor, his favorite, without the attendant asking him for ID. That was classic Hutch: he was always ready with a story, with a new song he had discovered and most certainly learned to play, or with copious detail about a new musical artist that he had recently discovered. Was Hutch successful in his quest at the liquor store, did he pass his own test? Let there be no doubt, of course he was successful and then some!

During the spring of 1971, Hutch passed away of complications due to heart disease. Hutch’s sense of humor, ready laughter, and caring, gregarious nature have been greatly missed by his family and friends.

At the time of his death, Hutch was survived by his parents.

Source: His friends.