

## **Jeff Sherratt Biography**

Jeff Sherratt was born in Los Angeles, California on September 22, 1941. When he was in grade school his father bought a cattle ranch and moved his family to Utah. But after a few years the family returned to Southern California and settled in Downey where Jeff went to high school. In his senior year he met Judy and soon after graduation they were married. They've been together for over forty years now and have three daughters, Kristin, Karen, and Holly. They also have seven grandchildren.

For most of his adult life Jeff had been in business for himself. He owned companies that made and sold food related products. But as a lark, he once became a partner in a political public relations firm. "Some of the characters in my books are based on the candidates we've handled. I guess that's why we folded the tent and sneaked away. Our guys were losers and we weren't good enough to make them look like winners," Jeff said, recalling his experience as a political spinmeister.

After selling his business, Jeff devoted his time to writing mysteries, which soon became a full time career. His latest Jimmy O'Brien mystery novel, "The Brimstone Murders" is scheduled to be released in February of 2008 by Echelon Press.

Jeff Sherratt lives in Newport Beach, California with his wife, Judy. He is a member of Sisters in Crime, an organization combating discrimination against women in the mystery field, and the professional association, Mystery Writers of America. Jeff is currently working on the next book in the Jimmy O'Brien series.