



Eugene "Gene" Vernon Kehler Sr.

October 19, 1944 - April 5, 2023

Eugene "Gene" Vernon Kehler, Sr., 78, of Lake Panasoffkee, Florida passed away on April 5, 2023 in Leesburg, Florida. He was born in Pottstown, Pennsylvania on October 19, 1944 to the late Kenneth and Virginia Kehler. He loved to tinker, and fixed everything. He enjoyed woodworking, gardening, and fishing. He was the Cowboy Buddha, and the protector of the home and women. He loved his daughters, and he loved his wife, Debra, more than anything. They were joined at the hip for more than 14 years, and were called "Mr. and Mrs. Awesome." He was full of wisdom and kindness, and was gentle and strong. He was loved by everyone. He touched so many hearts. He was generous with his time, his love, and his heart. He will be missed. Along with his wife, Debra, he is survived by his daughter, Krissi Stock (Tommy Palimere); his grandchildren, Finn Stock and Hailey Stock; his beloved dog, Baxter; and his parrots, Seve and Eileen. Gene's family will be hosting an intimate celebration of life at Gene's home, with a scattering ceremony, at a later date. Cremation arrangements have been entrusted to Purcell Chapel of Beyers Funeral Home of Bushnell, FL.