



GEORGE E. MERKLINGER

September 3, 2016

Obituary of GEORGE MERKLINGER

George Edwin Merklinger, 70, died Saturday, September 3, 2016.

George was born in Rochester, NY and raised in Naples, NY by Ellen and Grant Merklinger. George was a retired corrections officer, an accountant and a manager. But, apart from his family, George's passion was music. Whether singing, playing bass in country bands or teaching others, music was central to his life. And hugs. George was known for his hugs.

After serving in the Army as a Sergeant in 1966-7, George set off with Ruth on the adventure he self-described in the song "I've Been Everywhere." From Maine to Montana, George and Ruth would be the first ones out on the dance floor. They proceeded to dance together for the rest of their lives. George leaves his life-long wife Ruth (Jackson) Merklinger; two sons: William and Scott; a daughter: Margaret (Peggy); his grandson: Daniel; and five siblings: Alan, Grant Jr., Francis, Susan and John. George was predeceased by his oldest son George II, and two brothers Frederick and William.

A funeral service will be held at 10:00 a.m., September 10th at Tavares Nazarene Church in Tavares, Florida with private burial. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the Merritt Island High School Music

Department. And hugs. Give someone a hug today to honor George.

Tribute Wall

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“ Prayers being sent to the Merklinger family.u

Cindy Farrell - September 08, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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Andreas and Cindy Klein - September 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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Dale Laise and Tom Denninger - September 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ I admired George very much, he was so good to everyone,always happy and singing,,we worked together and became friends,along with his wife and my friend Ruth,I will never forget him,God be with his wife Ruth and family

Bobbie orne - September 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ Ruth, Scott, Lorna, Daniel, Will, Michelle and Peggy, it is with great sadness that we have to say goodbye to our brother, George. Please accept our heartfelt sympathy and prayers for you. Praying God will give you the strength you will need at this sad time. Will always be grateful that we had a chance to visit in June and got one last bear hug. Until we meet again. Alan and Pat Merklinger

Alan and Pat Merklinger - September 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ GEORGE E. MERKLINGER

Alan and Pat Merklinger - September 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ Sorry for everyones loss

Mary Barra - September 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ So sorry for your loss. George must have been a pleasure to know. The Merklinger family brings happiness to all that they have in their lives.

Andreas And Cindy Klein - September 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ GEORGE E. MERKLINGER

Andreas and Cindy Klein - September 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ May God lift you up to play music with his angels.

Teresa Gray - September 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ GEORGE E. MERKLINGER

Dale Laise and Tom Denninger - September 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ I'm sorry for your loss

Elizabeth gibeau - September 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *GEORGE E. MERKLINGER*

September 05, 2016 at 12:00 AM