



Kenneth R. Veraska

April 29, 1936 - March 8, 2016

Obituary of Kenneth Veraska

Kenneth R. (Ralph) Veraska, age 79, of Leesburg, FL, went home on March 8, 2016, at Brookdale Place at Freedom Pointe, The Villages, FL, after a lengthy battle with Alzheimer's Disease. Formerly of Millerton, NY, Ken was born April 29, 1936 in Dallas, TX, to his beloved parents, Ralph and Josephine (Henderson) Veraska. His family moved to Mission, KS where he graduated from Shawnee Mission High School, Mission, KS in 1954 and Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS, in 1960 with a Master's Degree in Mechanical Engineering. While at Kansas State, Ken joined the ROTC program and later served as a First Lieutenant in the U.S. Army at Fort Riley, KS. Ken worked for the U.S. government in the Department of Defense in Bethesda, MD, Eastman Kodak in Rochester, NY, and spent nearly 30 years with IBM at various locations, including Poughkeepsie, NY, retiring in 1993. In 1964, Ken moved to Poughkeepsie, NY, where he and his former wife, Susan Miller, raised their three children, Sharon Boyd (Michael) of Lake Forest, CA, Linda Veraska of Niskayuna, NY, Timothy (Heather) of Audubon, PA; grandchildren, Hayley, Megan and Christopher Boyd and Maxwell Veraska. He also leaves stepdaughters, Robin McCandless (Bruce) of Holmes, NY and Jill Coyle (Frank) of Hopewell Junction, NY; step-Grandchildren Kevin, Sarah and Scott McCandless, Amy (Coyle) McMillan (Kris) of Lagrangeville, NY; and his step-great-grandchildren, Kylie Ann and Kristopher McMillan. Ken would be

remembered for his interest in working on cars, home repair projects, motorcycle riding, foreign travel, debating issues of the day, and volunteering help to friends, neighbors and Habitat for Humanity. Ken is survived by his second wife Susan R. Neubert, of Leesburg, FL formerly Millerton, NY. They would have celebrated 23 years of marriage, March 12, 2016. Ken's remains will be interred at the Poughkeepsie Rural Cemetery, in early summer of 2016, followed by a Celebration of Life in Poughkeepsie, NY. In lieu of flowers, the family requests gifts may be made in memory of Kenneth Veraska to The Alzheimers' Foundation or Cornerstone Hospice, 2445 Lane Park Road, Tavares, FL 32778.

Tribute Wall

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“ So sorry that Ken has passed. I missed him coming to exercise class at Lake Port Sq. he always had a pleasant smile and always so friendly. I understand your loss.

Bonnie Kern - March 15, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Kenneth R. Veraska*

Dorothy Scarlett - March 13, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Dear Sue: You have been in my thoughts and prayers for a long time and more so at this time. My condolense to you and family. May God grant you Peace, Strength and Comfort. In His Name. Dorothy Scarlett*

Dorothy Scarlett - March 13, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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Janie Dixon - March 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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