



Lee Carnahan

September 1, 1934 - August 17, 2021

Lee Carnahan, a long-time resident of The Villages, passed away unexpectedly while doing the thing he loved most, playing an evening round of golf with his family. Lee passed away on August 17, 2021, at eighty-six, surrounded by his loved ones.

Lee was born in Versailles, Pennsylvania, in September 1934 to Ruth and Earl Carnahan. Lee was the oldest of six children. He attended Liberty High School in Ohio, where he was classmates with Ruth. Little did they know at the time, they would spend sixty-four wonderful years married. After four years of service in the US Navy, they began a family. While raising his four children, he graduated from Youngstown State University with a degree of Science in Business Administration. He continued as Operations Engineer for US Steel and retired after thirty-two years. Soon after, he resumed employment with Ogden Martin Systems as Chief Engineer, overseeing twenty-seven facilities. Lee fully retired at the age of sixty-two.

Despite retirement, he never ceased being an engineer. Forever a problem solver and tinkerer, Lee committed his life to being a servant leader to this family, faith, and community.

Lee devoted his time to being a husband and father, cherishing every moment he spent with family. His devotion was most notable in his attention to detail, especially in crafting a memorable evening. His children brought out the best

of his cooking, from soup to nuts and a cocktail in between.

Lee became an accomplished pilot and loved to fly. He became qualified on multi-engine planes, flew charters, and became a certified airplane mechanic for fun. He enjoyed playing golf, sailing the waters, and flying the skies. At home, Lee enjoyed reading technical books, listening to music, and spending time with his family.

He was a spiritual man involved in the church choir and bible studies. Above all, Lee believed in "loving people and using things, and you use things and love people."

He was an incredible man who will be deeply missed by his family, friends, and all who knew him. Lee is survived by his wife, Ruth Carnahan; his children, David and his wife, Sharon, Jane and her husband Jerry; Katherine and her husband Bill; his siblings, Roger, Janet, Carolyn, and Ruthie; and his seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Lee joins his daughter Nancy and her husband Ronald and brother Arthur in heaven.

Flowers can be sent to:

134 N. Hwy 27/441 Lady Lake, FL, 32159

Note: Please use a local florist so they arrive in time.

Contributions can be made to:

Forward Paths Foundation

1005 W. Main St., Suite 102, Leesburg, FL, 34748

Or charity of choice.

Tribute Wall



“ *Beyers Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Lee Carnahan*



May 11, 2022 at 07:16 PM



“ *Aunt Ruth and family,*

I was so surprised to learn of Uncle Lee's passing. He was a great man and I will always remember the times we spent together in The Villages. He will always be in my prayers.

Michael Villano - August 25, 2021 at 07:23 PM



“ *Carnahan Family:
May GOD grant you peace & comfort during this
difficult time.*

Shelley Fraser - August 25, 2021 at 02:33 PM

MM

“ Dearest Ruth, Having known you both for 10 years at Oxford United Methodist Church and Faith Presbyterian, Mike and I so value the example you set for us spiritually, familiarly, and as good friends. Lee was so well-loved and respected. We will miss him greatly in life but will keep him in our memories til we meet again. May God's grace comfort you and your family.

Mike and Dianne McMillan - August 24, 2021 at 07:22 PM

KT

“ Cousin Ruth. I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Karen Thomas - August 23, 2021 at 06:09 PM

KV

“ Lee was an incredible person and a wonderful neighbor. This is a shock to all of us and he will be sorely missed by his family and his neighbors.

Kathy and Al Veloza - August 22, 2021 at 09:34 AM