



Ralph Graydon Turner

November 9, 1935 - December 4, 2017

Ralph Graydon Turner passed from this life, Monday, December 4, 2017 at the age of 82. He was born in Kilbourne, Louisiana. He was the son of the late Fred and Helen (O'Brien) Turner. Ralph has three surviving sisters, Ruth Turner Bond, Los Angeles, CA, Irene Turner Banks, Melbourne Beach, FL, Sandra Turner Hanson, The Villages, FL and one surviving sister-in-law Margaret Turner, Sugarland, Texas. He was predeceased by his two brothers Frances Edward Turner, Zellwood, FL and Robert William Turner, Miami, FL. Ralph never married. His nieces and nephews became Ralph's children. He was "Uncle Ralph" to Mitchell Banks, Jason Banks, Holly Banks Harley, Theresa Turner Pickin, the late Robert (Bobby) Turner, Jr., Michael Turner, Lisa Bond, Jill Hanson Leskow, and Julie Hanson Brannen. He became Great "Uncle Ralph" to all of their children! He was predeceased by his long term high school friend, Richard Chapman and survived by his best friend forever, Mary Ann Chapman, and his helper and friend, Stephen Carpenter. Ralph was a graduate of Edison High School in Miami, and Stetson University in Deland, Florida receiving his B.A. in Social Sciences, he was a recipient of outstanding student awards. While living in Deland, Ralph became a member of the First Presbyterian Church. He went on to attend the University of Florida Law School from 1959-1962 and Florida Trust School 1977-1979. Ralph worked in Banking Trust Departments for over 30 years. He last worked as Senior Trust Administrator at First Union Bank (formerly Southeast Bank), Miami, Florida from 1981-1993. Ralph was President of Corporate Fiduciaries

Association of Southeast Florida, Inc. for 1978-1979 and Director of the Estate Planning Council of Greater Miami for 1990-1992.

Ralph was a member of the Lions' Club, Boy Scouts Council, Toastmasters, Chambers of Commerce, and Kiwanis Club of Miami.

Ralph was respected and loved by all who met him. He knew no strangers.

Thank you to all of his friends, health care professionals, employees, and transportation at The Springs Assisted Living Facility.

A visitation will be held at the Lady Lake Chapel of Beyers Funeral Home on Saturday, December 9, 2017 from 1:00 to 2:00p.m. with a funeral service at 2:00p.m.

Tribute Wall

KA

“ I worked with you at Barnet banks trust co in Hollywood fl in the 90's. I will never forget your kindness.

Kathleen abels - January 01, 2018 at 02:50 AM

AL

“ Uncle Ralph was an amazing human being there was not an ounce of anger or selfishness within him. I never met anyone so smart and loving and I could only hope to have a fraction of his knowledge when I get older. Thank you for loving me and letting me love you in return.



Austin Leskow - December 07, 2017 at 10:39 PM

RB

“ Thank you for being my big brother at Edison High School. I will miss you. Love, Ruth



Ruth Turner Bond - December 07, 2017 at 05:48 PM

LS

“ Rest in peace, Uncle Ralph. Skyler had fun playing chess with you.



Lisa, Vince and Skyler - December 07, 2017 at 05:44 PM

PT

“ Bob and I were not married very long, and Bob worked nights for a while. Ralph took me to see a new Alfred Hitchcock movie. Ralph took me to see Psycho. For quite a while after that movie, I could not take a shower alone in the house. I would wait until Bob got home.

Years later, when Bob worked days, he was called in to work late at night, as sometimes happened. Within an hour of his leaving, I got my own Psycho moment. A frightening call came to the house. The only thing I could think of was to call Ralph. He said "I'll be right over". He did, armed and dangerous - a pistol in his hand. He slept on the couch with that pistol under his pillow, prepared to take on the world to defend me. He stayed until Bob came home.

These are just little things that Ralph would do - drop everything to help someone. I will miss him dearly. He was more than just a brother-in-law. He was a true friend.

Peggy Turner - December 07, 2017 at 03:26 PM

JL

“ We love you Uncle Ralph. We will miss you.



Jordan and Vanessa Leskow - December 07, 2017 at 12:27 AM

BS

“ We love you and will always treasure our memories of times we had with you.



Bob, Teri, Adria and Shelly - December 06, 2017 at 09:47 PM

TP

“ Uncle Ralph, we cannot imagine a world without you in it. I know you listen when we talk with you. You will always be near, that I believe. Your parents and aunts and uncles and Dad and Uncle Frank were all there to meet you - how wonderful that must have been! You are free now from all the pain and limitations you had to live with for so long. You will be deeply missed. Your loving and generous heart, your smile, your laugh, your always sunny outlook. Thank you for taking me to see *Gone With The Wind*, and to the bank banquet. I really enjoyed our times together, and know that everyone had their special times with you too. Thank you for making us all know we are loved and special. You are too.

Teri, Bob, Adria and Shelly Pickin - December 06, 2017 at 09:46 PM

SA

“ I can't imagine not being able to talk to you.
Please listen in when I pray.



Sandy - December 06, 2017 at 09:37 PM

JL

“ You will be greatly missed Uncle Ralph!



Jill Leskow - December 06, 2017 at 06:54 PM

JL

“ I can clearly remember the trip with Uncle Ralph and Grandpa to the beach. As a teenager whom embarrassed easily this trip was quite the spectacle! Grandpa we sat down at the waters edge with his feet pointing into the waves. In the meantime Uncle Ralph was preparing to go swimming. Next thing we see is the two inch wave roll in and lift grandpas feet straight up into the air as he in slow motion tipped backwards. As if that wasnt odd enough for this teenager here comes Ralph running downhill towards the beach and he swan dives into water that was ankle deep and lands flat on his belly totally out of the water!!!! Oh the flush on my checks as I quickly looked around to see if anyone knew me! I can tell you though that I would immediately go back and relive it again if I could!

Jill Leskow - December 06, 2017 at 06:48 PM