



## Richard O. Newman

November 1, 1927 - June 3, 2015

### Obituary of Richard Newman

Richard O. "Dick" Newman, 87 of Leesburg, died Wednesday, June 03, 2015. He was born in Winter Haven, FL on November 1, 1927. Dick moved to Leesburg in 1939 where he was the Captain of the football and boxing team at Leesburg High School. He received his Engineering Degree from University of Florida and started Newman Consulting Engineering in 1961 and retired in 2003. He was an Army Veteran of the Korean Conflict.

Dick was a member of the Leesburg Noon Rotary Club, a 50 year member of the Masonic Lodge #58, Leesburg and a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Leesburg. He also was on the Leesburg Planning and Zoning Board for 15 plus years and also served as Chairman. He enjoyed shooting, played tennis and golf.

He is survived by his daughter, Claire Sparks, New Smyrna Beach, FL; son, Rick (Amy) Newman, Leesburg; brother, Kenneth Newman, Richmond, VA; and 1 grandson, Michael (Jessica) Sparks, Edgewater, FL. Dick was preceded in death by his loving wife, Paulina.

Visitation will be Friday, June 5, 2015 from 5:00 to 7:00 pm at Beyers Funeral Home Chapel, Leesburg. Funeral service will be held at the First Presbyterian

Church on Saturday, June 6, 2015 at 11:00 am with Pastor J. Roy Sharp officiating. Interment will be at Lone Oak Cemetery, Leesburg, FL. For those who wish, memorials may be made to the Cat Protection Society, 2700 Getford Road, Eustis, FL 32726

# Tribute Wall

JV

“ Our prayers are with Dick`s family. He was a gentle and sweet man. He would come to our family reunions in Crescent Beach and he became family. We had lunch with him in Leesburg several years ago at his favorite lunch place. Jack Jones was there too. Love seeing both of them. I know he will be missed.

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**Jim and Nancy Vanderver** - June 20, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CJ

“ We are saddened to hear of Dick's passing. He attended a few of our Ezell get togethers a few years back. He was a great mentor and fun to hang out with. He will be missed. God's Peace to his family.

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**Chuck and Julie Johnson** - June 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ The world has lost a true gentleman. Dick was a fine man, and it was an honor to have known him. The mention of the Cat Protection Society brought a smile; I guess I am forgiven for foisting that cat on him all those years ago.

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**Debra Holland** - June 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GD

“ "Say not in grief that he is no more, but say in thankfulness that he was. A death is not the extinguishing of a light but the putting out of a lamp because the dawn has come." May your hearts be filled with wonderful memories of joyful times togeter as you celebrate a life well lived by such an honorable man. He will be sorely missed.

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**Genice and John Dickerson** - June 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LP

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you.*

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**Len & Ralph Potter** - June 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ *My heart goes out to the Newman family, especially Rick, Amy and Claire. Dick was a true southern gentleman and kind man. He will be missed by all of us who had the opportunity to meet him. I am thankful to have the honor myself even though it was later in his life. I know Dick is thankful that he had such excellent caregivers at the end of his life in Rick and Amy. My thoughts and prayers are with everyone who knew Dick. His memory and legacy will live on! Our memories of him will help get us through this difficult time. I hope there is some Arizona iced Tea in heaven for him! All my best and sending prayers and thoughts! Sarah*

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**Sarah Hoffart** - June 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ *So sorry for your loss. I really enjoyed knowing your dad and he treated me so well when I worked for him. He believed in me and that meant alot to me. He will surely be missed by alot of people. May God bless your family.*

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**Janice Dempsey** - June 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TG

“ *My mother Jeanette thought alot of Mr. Newman and he was a good friend/person to her. We send our deep sympathy and prayers to the family. Mr. Newman had such a kind heart and good sense of humor. Rest peacefully Mr. Newman.*

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**Tina Goddard** - June 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ *My sincere and heartfelt condolences to the family. Dick was much loved by both Frank and myself, and was an intergral part of our lives and family always. I have so many fond memories of time spent with him...and with he and Paula. Always ready to join us for any adventure; he'd bring his ready smile, dry wit, and twinkle in his eye with him wherever we went. He leaves a hole in many a heart with his passing, but I like to think he'll find much happiness in being reunited with his family and dear friends who have gone before him.*

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**Cathye Bouis** - June 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM



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