



Robert Bruce Kitt

October 18, 2014

Obituary of Robert Kitt

Robert (Bob) Bruce Kitt

Captain Robert Bruce Kitt, USN (Retired), died October 18, 2014, in Lady Lake. He was born in South Dakota in 1920 and raised in Tulsa, Oklahoma. He attended Oklahoma A&M College before being recommended to the US Naval Academy in 1940, graduating in 1943 (Class of 1944). Robert served his country with distinction through WWII and Vietnam and retired in 1973. He was a land surveyor in NH before moving to Lady Lake in 1987.

Robert was predeceased by his wife of 66 years, Rita F. McGrath, of Everett, MA, a registered nurse and Navy Nurse Corps officer. He is survived by their son Bruce Kitt and his wife, Debbie, of Eden Prairie MN and their daughter, Becky Collins and her husband, Donald, of Stamford CT; five grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at Beyers Funeral Home on Monday, November 10th at 11:00 AM. His cremains will be inurned at 1:00 PM in the Florida National Cemetery at Bushnell.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Villages Honor Flight, PO

Box 490, Lady Lake FL 32158 or Leesburg Humane Society, 41250 Emerald
Island Rd, Leesburg FL 34788.

Tribute Wall

MI

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you. I feel we were all lucky to have had him in our lives. He was always so happy and I have great memories. Thank you for sharing him with us.

Michele - November 10, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MK

“ Bruce & Becky, How sad. Losing a dad is just terrible, no matter how young or old they are when they go to heaven. My dad's been there for 22 years this Saturday. One consolation is we had wonderful fathers, (mothers too)!!!! Well, they are all up there together now. I have the greatest memories of Uncle Bob. I loved when they lived by us in NH. I loved his hugs. He is truly an American Treasure!!! We are blessed to call him 'family'. Lots and lots of love and hugs, Marie

Marie Hussey Kilby - November 05, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ My condolences to everyone in my extended family.

Dennis Hussey - November 05, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ Bruce and Becky - We were all saddened by the news of Uncle Bob passing away. He was such a great guy and we enjoyed the times spent with him. He was a true American hero even though he would never claim to be one, but we all know better. We will miss his wit and wisdom. Scott, Barbara, Liz, and Eddie Bengtson

Scott Bengtson - November 05, 2014 at 12:00 AM

EB

“ My heart is breaking. This man was a dear friend and I will always think of him as 'The Captain'. I met him when he came into the Villages Mailroom where I worked years ago to mail something to his family up north. He was wearing a US Navy ball cap. We started talking and I told him I was in the Navy also for 12 yrs..... I was also on a ship for 4 yrs and we hashed around funny stories about shipboard life. We chatted about Navy and life.....I was able to meet his dear wife Rita. She was such a beautiful woman.....after that, whenever the Captain came in, my co-workers knew only I wanted to wait on him.....if I didn't see him, they'd call out, "Elaine, your Captain's here!".....My husband and I drove by his house a few yrs ago to see him raising the American flag one morning....He was a wonderful man, Captain, friend, American and Patriot!!...OMG I miss him.... I will always think fondly of the Captain's life....He was/is my hero.

elaine brown - November 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ We are so saddened to hear of Bob's passing. He was such a nice gentleman and I really enjoyed golfing with him. Since he lived close to where we lived, we always enjoyed talking with him on his occasional walks past our home. May he rest in peace.

Dean and Nancy Wischmeier - November 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KK

“ Our sincerest sympathy to Capt Bob's family. We are so very blessed to have known your father. He truly was the most gentle and gracious man we have ever met. His death is a great loss to all who ever knew him. He spoke recently about missing Rita, your mother, so very much and now they are together again forever. Bruce, Becky and family, our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Kelly and Sharon Karmann - October 29, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *Twas an honor and pleasure to know this Officer and Gentleman.....
Jesse Dilks*

jesse dilks - October 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *Robert Bruce Kitt*

October 27, 2014 at 12:00 AM