



Alan Wayne Rinderknecht

February 8, 1957 - July 21, 2020

Alan Wayne Rinderknecht, 63, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, July 21, 2020, with his wife and daughter by his side.

Alan ("Al") was born in Cleveland, Ohio and grew up in Warren, Ohio. He found his love for swimming at a young age and was a member of the local AAU swim team. He was a member of First United Methodist Church in Warren and also loved to read. He graduated from Warren G. Harding High School as a varsity swim team member.

He attended Eastern Michigan University on a swimming scholarship for 3 years. Al then moved to Clearwater, Florida in search of sunshine and fish. He met his wife, Janine, shortly after. Al obtained his Associate in Science degree in Electronics Technology from United Electronics Institute in Tampa, FL which was the start of his professional career.

Al, Janine and Allison moved to Vilano Beach in St. Augustine, Florida in 1993 when he accepted a position with Bell South which later became Cingular Cellular then AT&T. He helped to invent a mobile building for cellular telephone equipment which was patented in 2000. He continued to work for the company until his retirement in 2016. He was a loyal employee and hard worker who loved his job. He loved his neighborhood in Vilano Beach and often spent his days at the beach in the sun reading. He was an active member of Serenata Beach Club for many years.

His favorite passion was deep sea fishing with his buddies on his boat, "My Boat", which was awarded Boat of the Year two consecutive years by the Ancient City Fishing Club. He was known by his friends for knowing where to find and reel in the biggest grouper and red snapper in the sea and they enjoyed the great company that Al provided. He was known for his kind and gentle heart and his contagious sense of humor.

Al's second passion was being his daughter's biggest sports fan, not missing a sporting event from her early years of swimming and basketball to her career at UCF playing volleyball. He was known for his vocal cheering often yelling "Go Scoot!!" that echoed

through the gym.

Once he retired from AT&T he was able to continue to travel the world with his wife, Janine, whether by plane or on cruises. He loved to adventure to new places throughout the world and planned the best "Big Al" trips. His most recent joy was watching his grandson Mason grow up.

Al is preceded in death by his father, John Rinderknecht; his brother, Stephen Rinderknecht and his beloved dog, Teddie.

He is survived by his mother, Suzanne Rinderknecht; wife, Janine Rinderknecht; daughter, Allison (Brett) Wherry; grandson, Mason Wherry; sisters, Joan (Paul) Hill and Deborah Rinderknecht (Jeff Lowry); his aunt, Jane (Dave) Schooff; nephew, Isaiah (Anastasia and daughters Madeline and Annaleigh) Hill and niece, Danielle Rinderknecht as well as many other beloved nieces, nephews and friends.

A service for friends and family will be planned at a later date.

Comments



“ I loved the fact that he couldn't sleep the night before we went fishing... I loved the excitement he had as we loaded up on bait at 9 mile. I loved how he got hyper focused as he help the rod waiting for the bigin' to tap on the door. I loved the absolute joy he had when that monster landed in the box. I loved the endless hours we spent talking about life, our families, where we had been and where we were going. But mostly, I loved Al.

Ted Hill - 9 hours ago



“ Dear Janine, Bob and I are so sorry to hear of Al's passing. We will always remember him and the we we spent at North Beach. Sending you and Allison our deepest sympathies.

Sincerely, Deanna and Bob Swann

Deanna Swann - July 27 at 11:42 AM