



## Harvey Joel Boxer

July 11, 1947 - December 31, 2023

Harvey Joel Boxer passed away peacefully at home in St. Augustine, Florida on December 31, 2023 in the loving company of close family. He was 76.

Born July 11, 1947 to Pauline (Fass) Boxer and Victor Boxer, Harvey grew up in Belmar, New Jersey five blocks from the ocean.

Always upbeat and fun-loving, Harvey enjoyed spending his summers at the beach with friends and beloved cousins, playing chess with his father into the wee hours of the morning, fixing up cars, and cruising the Asbury Park circuit in his '56 Ford with his high school buddies. Ambitious and industrious from an early age, he could also be found making deliveries for the local butcher, boiling bagels at Levy's bakery, apprenticing with a local photographer, and managing a service center on the Garden State Parkway.

After graduating from Monmouth College, Harvey married Helen Nemeth, moved to Eatontown, and became a father. In 1976, he and his family moved to Southbury, Connecticut where he

joined Northwestern Mutual Life as an insurance agent, obtaining a Masters degree in finance and various wealth management designations. A people person from day one, Harvey's leadership skills and affinity for hard work made it easy for him to build a successful 48 year career with NML.

In 1999, Harvey and Helen began their migration to St. Augustine. When not working, Harvey loved taking long walks with friends and family, going on day trips with Helen, volunteering on the Investment Committee at Flagler Hospital, woodworking, and playing golf and chess. He also enjoyed a good splash in the pool and mini golf with his grandchildren.

In 2017, Harvey was diagnosed with cancer. Throughout his courageous journey, he remained a remarkable husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle and friend. He was always focused on the present, optimistic about the future, and never took his blessings for granted. We will all miss his signature laugh and the way he lit up a room.

Most fortunate to be Harvey's family are his wife of 53 years, Helen, their daughters, Lauri Boxer-Macomber and Suzanne Boxer, his sons-in-law Ethan Boxer-Macomber and Colin Murphy, grandchildren Silas, Tessa, Onora and Ciaran, his sister and brother Kathryn Porges and Marshall Boxer, his brother-in-law, Donald Porges and Harvey's cousins, nieces and

nephews.

A celebration of Harvey's life for friends and family will be held from 12:00 - 3:00 p.m. on Friday, January 12, 2024 at the Marsh Creek Country Club in St. Augustine, Florida. An additional gathering will take place in Connecticut later this year.

Memorial contributions in honor of Harvey may be made to The Foundation of Community Hospice & Palliative Care at: [TheFoundationCares.org](http://TheFoundationCares.org) or to a charity of your choice.

Messages of sympathy may be shared on Harvey's tribute page at [www.stjohnsfamilyfuneralhome.com](http://www.stjohnsfamilyfuneralhome.com).

# Previous Events

## A Celebration of Life

JAN 12. 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Marsh Creek Country Club  
169 Marshside Drive  
St. Augustine, FL 32080

# Tribute Wall

JA

“ Dear Helen and Family,  
I just read about the passing of Harvey in the Monmouth University magazine. Harvey and I were Delta Sigma Phi fraternity brothers. Rita and I still have a Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance package set up by Harvey. Rita and I have visited St. Augustine several times over the past few years. I wish we knew you lived in St. Augustine. Our thoughts and pray go out to you and family.

*Jim and Rita Akers- Seal Beach, CA*

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**Jim Akers** - July 10, 2024 at 06:38 PM

PG

“ Dear Helen and Family,

*We were both neighbors and friends of Harvey for many years. We always enjoyed our conversations and his sense of humor, which he managed to maintain over the course of his illness. Harvey kept a positive attitude to the very end. He will be missed.*

*Our Deepest Sympathy,*

*Paul and Marcelle Gallucci*

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**Paul and Marcelle Gallucci** - January 11, 2024 at 05:46 PM

DP

*Harvey will always be remembered because of his sincerity and quiet Witt. His humor will not be forgotten.*

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**Dean Parker** - January 11, 2024 at 09:32 PM

RL

“ We were Harvey's & Helen's 1st neighbors here @ Marsh Creek. Harvey was always happy & upbeat & appeared to enjoy living here. He'll be missed here. Ron & Geri Lane

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**Ron Lane** - January 10, 2024 at 01:31 PM

MB

“ Dear Helen and Family,  
We learned of Harvey's passing this weekend when we saw his obituary in the Waterbury paper. We are so very sorry for your loss. We hope that the many joys you knew and the times you shared will bring you comfort at this sad time.  
With our deepest sympathy,  
Mary Beth and Michael Pratt

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**Mary Beth** - January 09, 2024 at 01:34 PM

SG

“ I will never forget and I will always be grateful for Harvey giving me the chance to grow and learn from him in the insurance business. When he chose me to replace Luetta, who was retiring, to become his assistant at the Waterbury agency, I was so proud. He put his trust in me and taught me so much! Harvey was a wonderful mentor and I will always cherish the years I spent working with him. He was a true gentleman, a respected businessman and always had the best tan!! 😊 But, as he always said, his greatest accomplishment was his family, who he adored and worked so hard for! ❤️. I'm sure he will be dearly missed by all those who knew him. RIP Harvey. Until we meet again, love your friend, Stacey Genova 🙏

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**Stacey Genova** - January 08, 2024 at 04:13 PM

ML

“ Dear Helen and family - my deepest sympathy on Harvey's passing. May God bless him and may he rest in peace, And may God grant you peace.  
Mike Longo

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Mike Longo - January 08, 2024 at 12:25 PM

GR

“ I mostly knew Harvey on the golf course;for him it was not just a place to chase after a little white ball but an opportunity to make friends , celebrate victories and take defeats in stride. On those fairways he found camaraderie , joy and a sense of peace that transcended the challenges he faced.  
He never allowed his illness to dampen his spirit or diminish the warmth of his smile.  
May his memory be a source of comfort and inspiration for us all.  
Gilles Renaud

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Gilles A Renaud - January 05, 2024 at 08:03 PM

AD

“ It was always a pleasure chatting with Harvey about the automotive industry. He always had a smile regardless of circumstances and will be missed. My thoughts and prayers go out to Helen and the family.  
Andrew DiFeo

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Andrew DiFeo - January 05, 2024 at 10:29 AM

SM

“ He graciously lived with his cancer with a smile. I always told him what a hero he was to me as I saw him on his morning walk with his distinct gait. Keep walking and smiling, Harvey, you will be missed.

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Sharon Mirzai - January 04, 2024 at 12:02 PM

MD

“ *Helen and family, so very sorry to hear about the passing of Harvey.*  
*Marygrace Drucker*

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**marygrace drucker** - January 04, 2024 at 11:15 AM