



Kenneth A. Moore

September 14, 1932 - May 12, 2019

Kenneth A. Moore, 86, passed away peacefully at his home on May 12, 2019. A resident of St. Augustine for twenty years, he was born September 14, 1932 in Newark, NJ to James and Lillian (Van Buskirk) Moore.

Enlisting in the US Navy during his senior year of high school, he served aboard the USS Dyess and USS H.J. Ellison during the Korean War. After an honorable discharge, Ken worked as a printer in Union, NJ until his retirement. Always a hard worker, he began his own landscaping business after retirement. In his free time, he was a passionate bowler, being a part of several leagues and holding various positions within the leagues. After moving to Florida, he spent time working in the bakery at Publix, even working as the Santa Claus during the holidays!

He constantly gave back time and energy to an assortment of naval related groups and organizations. He was a long-time member of the Tin Can Sailors and ran the Lakeland Bull Session for over twenty years. Instrumental in the creation of the USS Dyess Association and involvement in the USS HJ Ellison Association, Ken served many roles as secretary, treasurer, and president. He greatly enjoyed organizing and attending reunions for both ships. Additionally, he was a longtime member of the American Legion Post 209, and the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

He always put his family first, silently dedicating much of his time for anything his children or grandchildren wanted to participate in, becoming involved with as well. From being the flag man at the local race track, to going fishing, to

watching recitals, or selflessly going out of his way to help out his family, there was nothing he would not do.

Surviving are three children: Kenneth A. Moore, Jr. (Deborah) of Saylorsburg, PA; Colleen Ihrig (Jesse) of St. Augustine; Kelly Moore (Teresa) of Stewartsville, NJ; seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

He was predeceased in death by his parents, as well as a brother James Moore, and a sister Dorothy Becker.

St. Johns Family Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements
Private services are planned.

Tribute Wall

TK

“ I worked with Ken at Publix and became friends with his family. Ken was a great person to have for a friend

Tracy K - August 07, 2020 at 10:19 AM

MO

“ I loved chatting and sharing military stories with Ken. He was a cool dude!

Melinda Ortega - April 24, 2020 at 02:01 PM

BI

“ My Grandfather Was a good man. The best actually. I'll miss him real bad, I already do. Maybe we'll meet again someday... that's the hope at least. Love you Pops.

Brendan L Ihrig - July 10, 2019 at 04:53 PM

MT

“ Ken was my first love...the father of our 3 beautiful, handsome and wonderful children. He will be remembered by many including me,,,his ex-wife. He was known as "daddy" to my husband and all of our friends. He will be missed. God Bless Him

Margie Tantleff - July 03, 2019 at 09:11 PM

KM

“ *This Man...*

*...was always there for anything his children needed
...would drive 45 minutes just to take this spoiled kid over "bumps"
in a parking lot
...through his actions, showed me that being 15 minutes early was
better than being 5 minutes late
...introduced me to the sport of bowling and taught me to be pretty
good at it
...always put his children first
...had a great sense of humor
...was extremely proud to be an American and Navy Veteran
...was a good friend to all that knew him
...is missed everyday
...will never be forgotten
This Man, this Great Man, was my Dad*

Dad,

*As the years went by I knew the day would come when you would
no longer be with us. Well that day has come and it doesn't seem
real. I still expect to get your random emails. I still expect to pick up
the phone and hear you voice. I will never forget you and all that
you did for me, I will miss you everyday!*

Love Your Son,

Kelly

Kelly Moore - July 03, 2019 at 02:56 PM

KM

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Kyle Moore - June 27, 2019 at 01:06 PM

KM

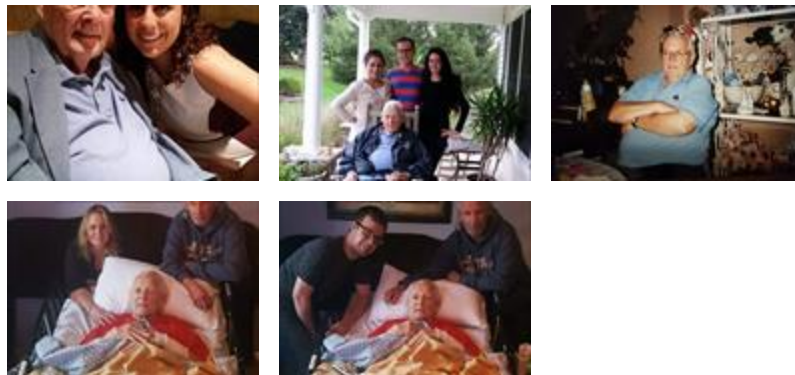
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Kyle Moore - June 27, 2019 at 01:04 PM

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Christina Cruz - June 27, 2019 at 12:13 AM



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Christina Cruz - June 27, 2019 at 12:08 AM



“ *My grandfather, better known to us as Pop-pop, will always be missed and remembered. He was more like a father to me. He was always there for me - from taking me to acting lessons, coaching me on a bowling, and taking me to Publix with him to introduce me to his co-workers to driving me to dance competitions, auditions, and teaching me how to drive, he went above and beyond for me.*

He and I would run his navy reunions together. He always talked fondly of the navy and told me stories from when he served. He was a great force in his navy community and made sure that everyone felt welcomed and included. He taught me such patriotic songs as "You're a Grand Old Flag," "Anchors Away" and "God Bless America."

I grew up with him. He was always sitting on the porch when I got off the bus from school or was up on his computer. When we first moved to St. Augustine, I would go in his room and sleep on his futon sofa when I was scared. I will miss hearing him talk to the dog, first Cowboy, then Mica, and finally Cody. I will miss him singing and dancing through the kitchen to make us laugh, and calling me Hedy Lamarr when I walked through the house in a towel.

He will be forever remembered and forever loved. I know he has been reunited with his mother, father, family, and many, many friends in heaven. Pop-pop, I will see you again.

"Until we meet once more, here's wishing you a happy voyage home.."

Christina Cruz - June 26, 2019 at 01:19 PM

RB

“ Shipmate and long time friend, I miss Ken tremendously! He and I were "Archie Bunkers" together. Our long association with Tin Can Sailors was one of the most rewarding friendships I have ever had. Founding and managing the annual Tin Can Sailors Bull Session in Lakeland, FL was a huge undertaking but was the most successful, attracting a huge turnout each year.

Ken was a great organizer and was always complimented on the job he did for the various Navy ships and activities in which he participated. NO one can replace him as a shipmate, friend, Father and Grandfather. My friend forever!

Bob Bush

Robert Bush - June 26, 2019 at 10:16 AM

CI

“ My Dad was a Wonderful Father and is missed very much!! We have so many Memories it is hard to pick just one. To know my Dad he was Archie Bunker with a Big Heart!! One of the things he loved to do was to break into song as he walked thru the house and my daughter, Christina and I would join in. The Grand Old Flag and Glenn Miller's Johnson Rag were two of his favorites!!

Colleen Ihrig - June 25, 2019 at 11:52 PM