



Kenneth G. Ryder

September 25, 1933 - September 20, 2017

Kenneth G. Ryder, 83, of Palmyra, known by many as Papa Bear, died Wednesday, September 20, 2017 in ManorCare Health Services, Lebanon. He was the husband of Jo-Ann Abrams Ryder.

Born in Williamsport on September 25, 1933, Ken was a member of the 1946 Brandon Little League. His team, the Williamsport Transportation Company, won the Little World Series title one year before the official Little League World Series began in 1947. After graduating from Williamsport High School in 1951, he served in the U.S. Marine Corp during the Korean War.

Ken was a General Manager for Hartman Motor Cars, Harrisburg, and Valley Toyota, Selinsgrove, selling Toyotas for 45 years. He was an avid hunter and fisherman throughout his life, the highlight being a trip to the Northwest Territory in 1987 to hunt for caribou and fish for Arctic char. Ken had an ornery sense of humor, and enjoyed watching the Phillies and Eagles in his free time.

Surviving in addition to his wife is son Dr. Kenneth G. Ryder, Jr. of Schnecksville, PA; daughter Sharon E. Serge of Wilmington, DE; daughter Tracy L. Evans of Canton, GA; daughter Cindy L. Hersman of Charlottesville, VA; grandchildren Timothy, Nicholas, Robert, Isabella, and Benjamin; and great grandson Evan. He was preceded in death by brother Fred W. Ryder, father Fred O. Ryder, and mother Hester R. Smith.

Memorial services will be held on Friday, September 29, 2017 at 1:00 PM at the Kreamer Funeral Home and Crematory, 618 E. Main Street, Annville. Interment will be held on Indiantown Gap National Cemetery with Military Honors. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Parkinson's research at: Donation Processing, The Michael J. Fox Foundation, P.O. Box 5014, Hagerstown, MD 21741-5014.

Cemetery Details

Indiantown Gap National Cemetery

Indiantown Gap Road
Anville, PA 17003

Previous Events

Memorial Service

SEP **29**. 1:00 PM (ET)

Kreamer Funeral Home & Crematory, Inc
618 E. Main Street
Anville, PA 17003
(717) 867-4811

Tribute Wall



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Kenneth G. Ryder.*



September 27, 2017 at 01:50 PM



“ *Ken,
Heaven just gained a great man. I worked with you many years ago at Hartman Motorcars. You were always such a kind soul and such a great man and so knowledgeable. It was an honor to learn the car business from you.*

My fondest memory was us pointing and winking at each other. All in fun, brought on by- Me being old enough to be your daughter - you would kid me and say "If I were years younger" and then there was the day that I turned and said "If I were years older". We both laughed so hard and would remind each other years later of our inside joke when we would bump into each other. It would have us laughing all over again!!!

May your family find peace in all the great memories I am sure they had with you.

You will be missed!! RIP

Kerrin Scott - Lutz

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