



Ernest T. Greffen

October 8, 1936 - September 25, 2019

Ernest Greffen, 82, of Leesburg, FL passed away on Wednesday, September 25, 2019. He was born on October 8, 1936 in Baltimore, Maryland. He is survived by his loving wife of 60 years: Mary Lou Greffen; daughters: Meg Barnet (John) and Linda Moats; granddaughters: Erin, Drew, and Kira. Ernie served 8 years in the Army National Guard and was a lifetime member of the NRA. He will be remembered always for being a strong role model, his loving nature, his amazing sense of humor, his ability to fix anything, Nascar races, and of course, chocolate.

A celebration of life service will be held from 1-3 pm on Saturday, October 5, 2019 at Steverson, Hamlin and Hilbish - 226 E. Burleigh Blvd. (Highway 441), Tavares, FL 32778. An informal gathering at the Greffen home will follow.

IN LIEU OF FLOWERS, donations in honor of Ernie may be made to the American Macular Degeneration Foundation: www.macular.org Condolences, memories and photos may be shared on the tribute wall.

Events

OCT 5 **Gathering of Family and Friends** 01:00PM - 03:00PM

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Steverson - Hamlin & Hilbish Funeral Home

226 E. Burleigh Boulevard, Tavares, FL, US, 32778

OCT 5 **Celebration of Life Memorial Service** 03:00PM

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Comments



“ I referred to you as grandpa Greffen and even though we did not have the good fortune to spend much time together, I know exactly what a gem you were.

You see, you don't get that much of a firecracker of a woman with that big a gleam in her eye to build a life with you without having that something special.

It's impossible to have such caring children with such wicked senses of humor unless you show them first hand how to navigate this world.

And it's impossible to have such sweet grandchildren without letting them know how much they are loved.

So you see, I did know you.

I would have loved hanging in your shop and shooting the breeze. If I had, I know I would have heard a lot of funny stories and learned a lot of great life lessons.

You were such a fantastic blessing to so many. We will be sure to celebrate you until we meet again. Save some shenanigans for us.

Love,
Boots Kountanis

Heather Kountanis - October 01, 2019 at 07:06 PM



“ Heaven needed another angel. Loved Daddy Greffen whom we were blessed to share cherished memories with over the years. Just as the sun will set and then rise with each and every dawn, the souls of those we loved eternally live on. Although the sun has set on one so very dear, he will live on in our hearts, thoughts and prayers. Mom Greffen, Linda, Erin, Kira and family, we love you and are sending endless love and prayers your way. In lieu of flowers, we will be sending a donation in dad's honor to the American Macular Foundation. We lit a candle in his honor separate from this post also. Heartfelt thoughts and sympathy for all of you. Know that we are with you always, reach out 24x7 -Lino and Terri Covello, Momma Welshimer too.

Lino and Terri Covello - September 30, 2019 at 07:54 AM



“ Lino And Terri Covello lit a candle in memory of Ernest T. Greffen



Lino and Terri Covello - September 30, 2019 at 07:46 AM



“ Mr. Ernie was the one man who i respected, trusted and loved next to my own father. He was the sweetest, most genuinely caring, generous individual i have ever had the privilege of meeting in my life. As a new driver with my first car, he kept me on the road safely and economically. He was always willing to accept payments over time from my very limited income
His family became my extended family and to this day I treasure the fact God brought them into my life and allowed our life paths to cross. I cherish those connections and memories and always will. Much love, hugs and prayers to all, Lauri Newcomer Leverett LYHYMY, ALWAYS



Lauri Newcomer Leverett - September 28, 2019 at 06:04 PM



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Linda - September 28, 2019 at 01:29 PM