



Leonard Darnell Graves

January 21, 1941 - March 15, 2020

Leonard Darnell Graves, age 79 of Pasadena, MD passed away at his home on March 15, 2020 after a long battle with Parkinson's and dementia.

Len was born on January 21, 1941 in Miami, FL to Elmer and Mercedes Graves who both have preceded him in death. He is survived by his wife, Kathleen (nee Rogers), Son's Mark (Michelle) Graves of Georgia, Joseph (Teresa) Graves of Florida; Grandchildren, Cameron, Nathan and Lola Graves. Brothers, David Graves of California and Lawrence Graves of Georgia. Preceded in death, brothers Reece Graves and Gary Graves.

Len served in the U.S. Army where he learned to fly helicopters. After being discharged he attended and graduated Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University. He went on to have a long career in aviation flying for various airlines. He finished his career as a Captain for United Airlines. Len was an avid sailor along with his wife they loved sailing the Chesapeake Bay and in the Caribbean. Len's was a life well lived with wind in his hair and water in his shoes. He loved adventures.

A visitation will be held on Saturday, July 11, 2020 beginning at 11:30 AM with a Mass of Christian Burial to follow at 12:30 PM at St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Student Center, 1511 La Porte Ave., Valparaiso, IN 46383. Internment to immediately follow at St. Paul's Cemetery.

Due to the current health environment masks will be required to be worn.

Tribute Wall

KZ

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with Kathy....Lenny has always had a special place in my heart throughout the many years I knew him...I always appreciated our talks and the advice he'd given me...I know from his brother, and my husband Gary he was a mentor. Lenny will be greatly missed, as he truly touched my soul...*”
Karen Brady Graves

Karen Graves - Zeigler - January 27, 2024 at 11:57 AM

CP

“ *My deepest sympathy to Kathy, and the family and friends of Len. Life will go on, but the memories remain. Hold them close, until we see him again.*”

Chris Pickell - July 12, 2020 at 08:18 PM

JG

“ *My condolences to you Kathy, Joey, Mark, and the rest of the family. I will always remember Leonard being the captain on one of my many flights on United. When he asked if I had a window seat, he said, yeah, me too. Love you all - Julie Graves*”

Julie Graves - July 11, 2020 at 05:56 PM

LP

“ *In loving memory of our Scout, Uncle Len and Pirate!*”

Laura Pinto - July 10, 2020 at 10:17 PM

LP

“ Scout will forever be in our hearts!! So many fun adventures and a lifetime of memories! ❤️ Much love, Jack, Laura and the Cabin Boys- Dink and Paddy O'Shea

Laura Pinto - July 10, 2020 at 10:12 PM

ML

“ With Deepest Sympathy, Eric and Michelle Laurie Here's to the happy hours, dinners out and in, Concerts in the yard! Stories of No Show Jones and Kid Rick. Peace and Love to you, Kathy. Amazing wife and caretaker.

Michelle Laurie - July 01, 2020 at 07:43 PM