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David Forrest of Georgetown, DE; formerly of Buchanan, TN and Greene, NY, passed away at his home on March 27, 2024 after a brief battle with bone marrow cancer. He was 79 years old. He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Doreen; 2 children, Mark Forrest and Rindy (Andy) Cummings; 2 grandsons, Tanner & Landon Cummings; his sister, Judy (John) Lotsman; 2 brothers, Glenn Forrest and Wayne (Brenda) Forrest and several nieces and nephews.

David was a proud veteran of the Navy. He served aboard the USS Charles S Sperry from 1964-68, which provided gunfire support in Da Nang Harbor during the Vietnam War. He never missed an opportunity to thank a veteran for their service.

After his naval service, David settled in upstate NY. He worked for Grand Union and then for Victory Markets/Great American. He worked for 25 years as the manager of the Greene Great American, where he formed lasting relationships with many employees and customers. He and his customer, Bill Kimbark, used to sing on the front end of the store, at local nursing homes and at the talent show at the Catholic Church in Greene. Many of David's former employees fondly remember the singing.

David had numerous hobbies. He loved to talk about his drag racing days and his 1971 Dodge Challenger with a 340 4-barrel engine. His neighbor in Greene got him interested in building remote control airplanes. David hated to fly his creations because he was afraid of crashing them after all his hard work. Sailing was always a passion. David started with a self-built sailfish, graduated to an 18 ft racing sloop and finally to a 24 ft Hunter with a cabin named "The Other Woman". He and his wife sailed Otsego Lake in NY, Kentucky Lake in TN and Assawoman Bay in MD. During the COVID pandemic, David became an avid jigsaw puzzler, a passion that continued to the end of his life.

Besides his travels with the US Navy, David loved to travel with his wife, various family members and even with student groups. David and Doreen were fortunate to have visited 31 states and 20



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countries together. Each one provided a special memory to be reminisced about later on.

David's kindness and generosity will be missed. St Jude's held a special place in his heart. Please consider giving back to your community with a blood donation or other charitable donation.

All arrangements for will be private.

Please sign the virtual guestbook located on the tribute page.



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Bryan Loomis posted:

I worked with Dave for many years at Victory Markets/Great American. Dave was a great guy and was liked by everyone. My thoughts and prayers go out to David's family and I am truly sorry for your loss.

April 11 at 10:26 AM



Mark And Cindy Osowski Gardiner posted:

Mark, Rindy and Family: So sorry for the loss of your Dad. The obituary was a beautiful tribute! Cherish all of the great times and memories that you had together and keep them close to your heart ❤️! Love and hugs to you all ❤️! Thinking of you all with love and hugs ❤️

April 3 at 2:56 PM



George, Sandy, Dawn, Jim, Dee, & Scott sent a Treasured Memory - 8" x 7" Frame (Holds 4x6 Photo) to the Forrest family.



April 3 at 6:29 AM



Dawn Norton lit a candle in honor of David.

I remember going to my first wedding 46 years ago. I was only 16. I remember how beautiful it was at the house in Greene, NY and how happy David made my cousin Doreen. He continued to do that for the next 46 years. He will be forever in her heart with loving memories to comfort her. Thank you, David. Rest Easy. You will be missed. My condolences to all his family and friends, Dawn Norton



April 3 at 3:34 AM



Carol Danoski April 8 at 11:34 AM

Judy and family, please accept my heartfelt sympathy. Praying for you and your family. May you find peace and strength in your treasured memories. Carol Danoski



Anonymous sent a Medium Dish Garden to the Forrest family.



April 2 at 3:06 PM



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Marge shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Thanks for the fun times David!

April 2 at 8:30 AM





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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring David by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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