



Arthur Stevenson Ward

August 5, 1937 - January 14, 2020

Arthur "Art" Stevenson Ward, 82, peacefully passed away on January 14th, 2020.

Born on August 5, 1937 to Samuel and Ester Ward, Arthur spent his early childhood in Brunswick, Georgia until his family moved to Lake Worth, Florida when he was seven years old.

Arthur worked for Palm Beach County Parks and Recreation for 45 years where he made friendships that lasted a lifetime. After his retirement in 2003, he moved to Monticello, Florida so he could relax, work in his garden and be close to family.

Arthur was a loving, devoted husband and father and cherished his family. He enjoyed cooking at family gatherings and joking and laughing with each person present. He loved fishing with his daughter, Heather, teaching her to fix whatever was broken, and cherished their weekly dinners at his favorite restaurants.

For over 40 years, Arthur was an extremely dedicated member of Freemasonry and the Scottish Rite where he achieved the highest rank of 33rd degree mason and served his community. He was very proud to be a mason and was known for never missing a meeting and for dependably working every lodge fundraiser to raise money to help others. For Arthur, the masons he served with were truly brothers and the relationships he made

were lifelong friendships that he valued deeply.

He was a member of Hiram Lodge # 5 F & AM in Monticello, FL, and Gulfstream Lodge #245 F & AM in Lake Worth, FL. He was also a member of The Scottish Rite Bodies of Tallahassee and Lake Worth Florida.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 37 years JoAnne Shepard Ward. He is survived by his daughter Heather A Ward, brother Robert L. Ward (Barbara), Nephew Kevin Ward and Niece Renee Ward. He is also survived by his adopted family, Elisa Altomaro, Matthew Altomaro (Sarah) and Jessica Altomaro (Vita).

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Masonic Home Endowment Fund in care of Grand Lodge of Florida or The Scottish Rite Foundation of Florida.

The family will be receiving guests for a visitation at Bevis Funeral Home of Tallahassee (200 John Knox Rd.) on Saturday, February 1, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. with a Celebration of Life to immediately follow at 2:00 p.m.

Breanna Green of Bevis Funeral Home is assisting the family with their arrangements. (850-385-2193 or www.bevisfh.com)

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 1. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Bevis Funeral Home & Crematory
200 John Knox Rd
Tallahassee, FL 32303
(850) 385-2193

Celebration of Life

FEB 1. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Arthur was a great guy. Always so sweet! A great Dad!* ”

Kitty Dorris - January 19, 2020 at 11:29 AM