



Ewald Keszthelyi

August 10, 1941 - November 2, 2021

Ewald Keszthelyi unexpectedly and peacefully passed away at home on November 2, 2021. Ewald was born in 1941 in Yugoslavia and lived in Austria. His family endured many of the regional atrocities of World War II losing his father Johann, as a war victim. He was separated from his mother and placed in several different children's camps throughout the region, eventually reunited with his grandfather, and after the war ended, years later was reunited with his mother. At the age of 14 he immigrated to America with his mother, stepfather, stepbrother, and stepsister.

He attended Washington High School in Milwaukee and earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Wisconsin Madison, additionally, attending MIT through advanced studies.

He was hired by the Kohler Company in Wisconsin and soon became a leading engineer building up the generator division and its testing lab for 26 years. He was proud of his patents for products developed there. He rounded out his working career as Assistant Chief Engineer at Deutz Corporation, in Atlanta, Georgia solving their international and national application challenges. Ewald made St. Augustine his final home a few years after retirement from Deutz Corporation.

Ewald enjoyed a number of hobbies including gardening, photography, music, chess, sailing, skiing, tennis and engaging in deep rooted discussions. He was a well-versed debater and Toastmaster whose style was interlaced with tones of optimism, and who tempered his antagonists with a fine cognac or rum and a smile at conclusion. He loved to travel and immerse himself into cultures, foods, and traditions, visiting more than 30 countries. St Croix USVI garnered a special place in his heart and he returned there frequently.

Ewald is preceded in death by his mother, Margareta Eusch, nee Dekorsi, his father Johann, his step-father Stefan Eusch, and his step-brother Nick Eusch. He is survived by his loving bride of 44 years, Nancy, (nee Lorenzen), brother in-law Michael (Linda)

Lorenzen, his sister in-law Donna (Jon) Held, his step-sister Maria, and overseas relatives. His memory will live on in the hearts of his Godchildren, nieces, nephews, and their families, a myriad of friends, coworkers, crews, and all who shared a beach or patio moment with him.

A funeral mass will be held at St Anastasia Catholic Church in St Augustine on November 18, 2021 at 11:00 am.

In lieu of Flowers a memorial will be established in Ewald's name.

Events

NOV **Memorial Mass** 11:00AM
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St Anastasia Catholic Church
5205 A1A South, St Augustine, FL, US, 32080

Comments



“ The Denson family was very sad to hear the tragic news of Ewald’s passing. Ewald was such a wonderful, kind, loving, happy man. He was always so kind to our three daughters Lindsay, Stacey and Ashley.
We have such wonderful memories playing tennis all together in Royal Oaks neighborhood in Suwanee, Ga.
Ewald will be missed by all who were fortunate to have known him.

Jill Denson - November 17, 2021 at 06:12 PM



“ Pat Mullaney purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Ewald Keszthelyi.



Pat Mullaney - November 17, 2021 at 10:04 AM



“ Tim & Diane Buckley purchased the Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant for the family of Ewald Keszthelyi.



Tim & Diane Buckley - November 16, 2021 at 11:13 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ewald Keszthelyi.



November 15, 2021 at 10:09 PM



“ The world will be a little less bright without this wonderful man! We were privileged to be neighbors with Ewald and Nancy when our children were young..."Uncle Ewald and Aunt Nancy" were always there with a hug and a pantry full of treats! A fond memory was the Easter egg hunt they made in the backyard- with clues that made it extra special. We spent many a wonderful evening in their beautiful backyard having a glass of wine and listening to Ewald recount his many adventures. My heart hurts for you Nancy- you were both so devoted. Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers! Much love-
Elaine and Jim

Elaine Whitney - November 14, 2021 at 07:22 PM



“ A toast to a dear friend! Ewald was not only a loving and supporting husband, son, brother and godparent, he was an amazing friend. Kind and generous to all he befriended over the years with a story and a laugh. There were many good times over the years, many memories, many laughs, even a few tears. Thank you so much for all of those precious memories. May God bless you and grant you peace., Much Love, Kathy

Kat - November 13, 2021 at 06:38 AM



“ Celestial Love was purchased for the family of Ewald Keszthelyi.



November 11, 2021 at 08:40 PM



“ So sorry Nancy! I know you will miss him!

Barbara Wasely - November 11, 2021 at 08:41 AM



“ I met Ewald at Deutz He always had a good story to tell. My heart goes out to Nancy and his family. RIP dear friend.

Carolyn Brennan - November 11, 2021 at 04:20 AM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Ewald Keszthelyi.



November 11, 2021 at 04:09 AM



“ Ewald shared a deep interest in the history of World War II, which was hardly surprising given his own family history. I first met him at one of my book talks and discovered we were neighbors, which allowed us to occasionally pick up on our discussions. A gracious, thoughtful man. My condolences to Nancy.

Andrew Nagorski - November 10, 2021 at 09:00 PM



“ I played chess with Ewald many times and enjoyed so many conversations with him and his comrades. Our chess group will never be the same. He will be sorely missed in so many ways. I pray for his soul and for a heart full of peace for his wonderful wife, Nancy.

Tim Buckley

Timothy Buckley - November 10, 2021 at 01:54 PM