



David Wallace Johnston

March 6, 1940 - February 1, 2017

David Wallace Johnston passed away peacefully at home on Feb. 1st, 2017 at the age of 76. He was born March 6, 1940 to William Wallace and Jean (née Wilson) in Evanston, IL. He was a resident of his adopted home of Sarasota since 1958.

Dave graduated from the University of Florida in 1967 with a degree in landscape architecture, and went on to found David W. Johnston Associates in 1979. Dave's love for his profession led to over 2000 projects throughout the Southeastern US. He was appointed by FL Gov. Bob Martinez in 1988 to the Highway Beautification Council as vice-chair, becoming chair in 1994 and continuing his involvement until stepping down in 2012.

Dave worked tirelessly and passionately for the beautification and betterment of our community. A lifelong commitment to the Boy Scouts of America instilled leadership and dedication to service. His hobbies were camping and woodworking.

He is survived by wife LeAnn, his brother William Douglas, sons William and his wife Terri of Winston, NC, Christopher and his wife Haley of St. Petersburg, FL, three grandchildren, and his niece Kate Johnston of Sarasota.

He leaves a legacy of work in our community improving our city, county, and

highways with his projects. He was most proud of his work on A Family Place Children's Fountain and Bayfront Park, where a celebration of life will be held March 4th at 11:00 am.

In lieu of flowers donations in Dave's memory may be made to Golden Rescue In Naples, Inc. (GRIN) P.O. Box 770291 Naples, FL 34107-0291 www.grininc.org

Tribute Wall



“ *I miss you Dave*



Paula Hammock - January 27, 2023 at 08:41 AM



“ *Serving with Dave on the Highway Beautification Council has been a great honor. He will be missed by all who knew him.*

Susanne Karr - February 22, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *I was a Boy Scout in troop 90 in the early 60's when he was Scout Master. I learned alot from him!!*

February 21, 2017 at 12:00 AM