



Fred M. Frank

March 5, 2024

Fred M. Frank, passed away on March 5, 2024.

He is survived by wife Gerry (of 66 years), daughter Terry (Bob) Elden, son Bob Frank (Cheri) and predeceased by son Jim Frank on November 13, 2023. He is also survived by daughter -in-law Cindy Frank, 5 grandsons, Joel Elden (Emily), Justin Elden (Marija), Jimmy Frank (Miller), Jonathan Frank, granddaughter, Kaitlyn Snead (Eli), twin great-grandsons, Caleb and Wyatt Snead, and great granddaughter Isla Elden. He is also survived by brother-in-law Dennis Hindman (Susan), sister-in-law Linda Bailey (Rudy), Goddaughter, Laurel Prehn, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Predeceased by mother and father Charles (Marjorie) Frank, brother and sister-in-law Ted (Rosalie) Frank.

Fred graduated from Belleville Illinois Township High School in 1955 and entered the United States Army and was stationed in Incheon, Korea for 2 years (1955-1957) as a Radarman. Upon returning to Belleville in January 1957, he and Gerry were married in July 1957.

He graduated from Southern Illinois with a Bachelor's Degree in Psychology/Sociology.

He worked for Monsanto/Solutia Chemical for 32 years, until retiring in 1994.

He and Gerry moved to Sarasota, Florida. In Sarasota, he became very active in Sarasota Senior Softball as a player, manager, and board member and recruited for many years.

He was also a Siesta Key Beach Ambassador for 10 years and an active member of the YMCA/Core Potter Park Gym until shortly before he died.

If you desire, memorials should be considered for Tidewell Hospice, 5957 Rand Boulevard, Sarasota, Florida 34238 or Church of the Palms, 3224 Bee Ridge Road,

Sarasota, Florida 34239.

Service will be held on Wednesday, March 13, 2024 at 2:00pm, at the Sarasota National Cemetery, 9810 State Road 72, Sarasota, FL 34241.

Previous Events

Graveside Service

MAR 13. 2:00 PM (ET)

Sarasota National Cemetery
9810 State Rd 72
Sarasota, FL 34241
(941) 922-7200

Tribute Wall

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“ A little over 20 years ago my wife and I were thinking about moving to Florida from California while visiting the Siesta Key beach when we were accosted by a friendly guy who introduced himself and wondered if we knew that Sarasota had a growing Senior Softball Association. We didn't but that made my mind up about where to settle, thanks to Fred. He played softball for many years and was always fun to talk to. He was a master of sports trivia and would easily stump us with his knowledge.

Thanks to Fred I have enjoyed 20 years playing softball and helping improve the association alongside many colleagues. After Fred developed a health issue that caused him retire from senior softball, the association created the Fred Frank award in his honor to be given to one member each year, acknowledging them for contributions to the improvement of the association. Fred will be missed by many senior softball players.

George Hawley - March 22, 2024 at 07:54 PM

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“ Fred and I played Softball together.
Fred was very active in recruiting new players to the League.
Fred was a wonderful man and I am Proud to call him my Friend.
Aloha,
BILL Welch

BILL Welch - March 22, 2024 at 03:24 PM

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“ A wonderful neighbor, and good friend Your smile will be missed. Leon Sandie and Lucky Trombley

Sandra L Trombley - March 11, 2024 at 08:46 PM