



Richard A. "Rick" Block

April 8, 1940 - January 23, 2020

Richard "Rick" Block, age 79, suddenly passed away Thursday, January 23, 2020 in Sarasota, Florida.

He is survived by his wife Mary of 57 years; son Kevin Block of Deptford, NJ; son Randy and Chrissy Block of Swedesboro, NJ; daughter Stacie and Chris Dahmen of Haddon Heights, NJ; son Barry and Sarah Block of Flourtown, PA; 8 grandchildren, Sister Barbara and Don Demaio of Sarasota FL, and many close friends.

Born and raised in Pittsburgh, PA, Rick was the son of Alvin and Virginia Frazier Block. He raised his family in Woodbury, NJ and retired splitting his time between West Deptford, NJ and Sarasota, FL.

He graduated from Mercersburg Academy and attended Temple University of Philadelphia. He met his wife Mary at Temple University and they married in 1963. While in the US Navy Reserves, he was called to active duty in the 1960's. After serving in the military, he took on several business ventures; including owning multiple laundromats, dry cleaners, and a metal fabricating shop. He rounded out his career owning several properties in the Philadelphia area, and at the time of his death, he was serving as the Building Director of Glenn Oaks Ridge Community in Sarasota, FL.

His was known for his passion of health and nutrition, his mechanical, plumbing and electrical ability to fix anything, and his love for classical music. He is most remembered for his “booming” voice, and his encyclopedic knowledge of almost any subject (excluding sports). Fond family memories include boating on the Jersey Shore and the Chesapeake Bay. Many friends will miss his long talks over a cup or two of coffee.

Rick was a loving husband, father, and grandfather “Pop-Pop”. He was a generous, patient and very friendly man who will be missed by all the lives he touched.

Services will be held in New Jersey in mid- February with a life celebration in Florida in March. Details will be provided at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, as an avid reader, the family requests you donate to your local library.