



Albert E. Wolf

August 10, 2020

Wolf, Albert E., of Dayton, passed away Monday, August 10, 2020. Al's mother abandoned him in a Philadelphia hospital where he was born 83 years ago. Allen and Amelia Wolf adopted him two years later and raised him in York, Pennsylvania. His father thought Al would make a terrific barber, but he decided to join the Navy instead. Al then caught the eye of his future wife, Malinda, at a YMCA dance in Harrisburg, PA. Malinda's mother thought their marriage was a terrible idea, but Al and Malinda proved her wrong for the next 55 years. Al worked in various roles and ultimately retired from Wright Patterson Air Force Base. He and his wife raised two children, Mindy and Allen. Al discovered how much God loved him in the early nineties when he surrendered his life to Jesus. He passionately advocated for expanding rail service in the US and taking care of the environment. Al was "green" when most people thought that was just a color. He became a volunteer docent at the Dayton Peace Museum and had fostered a long love for Tastykakes and Dewey's Pizza. His family expanded when Al discovered his biological half-brother, Jim Fitzgerald, and half-sister, Alma and Cass, the day after his 82nd birthday. In the final year of his life, he battled cancer with the skills of a former Navy warrant officer. He is survived by his wife, Malinda; his children, Mindy and Allen; six grandchildren and three step-grandchildren. While he entered the world as an orphan, he left it as a child of God. The family held a private service at Woodland Cemetery. To honor his memory, please donate to the Rail Passengers Association. Arrangements by the Westbrook Funeral Home, Wayne Ave.

Cemetery

Woodland Cemetery

118 Woodland Ave

Dayton, OH, 45409

Comments



“ I was saddened to learn of Al's passing this past Monday. We were colleagues in different functions located in Building 262 at the base over several years. But I really came to know Al through his active involvement with the National Active & Retired Federal Employees Association (NARFE) these last few years. Al so willingly volunteered to assist at local NARFE outreach events and stayed abreast of NARFE's efforts even during his illness via email contacts with me . He was a caring, compassionate soul whose commitment will be sorely missed. His love of the rails reminds me of a beautiful song by the Impressions the lyrics of which are in part, "People get ready, there's a train a comin' . . . You don't need no baggage, you just get on board . . . All you need is faith, to hear the diesels hummin' . . . Don't need no ticket, you just thank the Lord" There is no doubt that Al has boarded , may you rest in peace, dear friend . . .
My deepest sympathy to Malinda and his family . . .

Mike Madges - August 15, 2020 at 07:36 PM



“ Hello, my name is Gary Victor of Kettering, OH. and was a good friend of Al. I was crushed by Al's passing, yet knew instinctively that this was his time to move on to the next level and be of service to those on the other side. Al's kindness, friendless and compassion for things of all life were qualities I deeply appreciated and respected, and I see those exemplary qualities serving him well as he comes Home to a new and miraculous place. You will be sorely missed on this side, and send heartfelt thoughts and condolences to Malinda and his extended family. I will think of you whenever I see or hear the next train come into the railroad station - somehow I get a sense you will be serving as God's chief Railroad Conductor and chanting that ever famous "All Aboard" when new "passengers" arrive at Heaven's Gates to be transported to their new destination. Thank you for being a beautiful human being - you did a great job and will be missed by many here.

Gary Victor - August 13, 2020 at 01:36 PM