



Raymond J. Navarre

March 5, 1928 - February 18, 2017

Raymond J. Navarre, 88, died suddenly and unexpectedly Saturday afternoon, February 18, 2017. Ray was born March 5, 1928, the third son of Margaret and Mathias Navarre. Ray had a giant and inquiring intellect. He taught physics at St. Francis de Sales High School in Toledo, was a chaplain for the Toledo Fire Department for over 20 years, and continued to serve others as a counselor and mental health professional until the time of his death. Ray displayed uncommon courage and perseverance facing health issues in his later years. Ray will be greatly missed by his family and many friends for his dry, comic wit and keen observations on the passing scene. His sincere empathy for others pervaded his everyday existence.

Ray was preceded in death by his parents and his brothers, Edward Navarre and J. Robert Navarre, MD. He is survived by his much beloved wife, Kathleen R. Navarre "Katie" and by many nieces and nephews.

A memorial mass in Ray's honor will be held at Gesu Roman Catholic Church, 2049 Parkside Blvd., Toledo, Ohio on Saturday, March 4, 2017 at 11:00 a.m.. The mass will be preceded by visitation in the church narthex from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, Katie asks that donations be considered to Toledo Children's Hospital Foundation or Helping Hands of St. Louis, Toledo, Ohio.

Comments



“ We remember all the wonderful times we shared together with Ray and Katie. We will miss our friend very much. Our prayers are with you Katie.

James and Mary Doll - February 27, 2017 at 07:03 PM



“ Thoroughly enjoyed his offbeat physics classes!

Requiescat in pace.

Rick Nopper, PhD Physics - February 27, 2017 at 04:56 PM



“ Ray was a true gentleman and role model for me. He was a great friend of my parents Lou and Lucille for many years. He joined them routinely for dinner on Friday nights.

Katie, I know you will miss him as much as I will, and I know he is resting peacefully, free of pain.

Rod Tomczak, MD, EdD - February 25, 2017 at 11:28 PM