



Karl Thomas Petersen

August 29, 1925 - September 19, 2010

Karl Thomas Petersen, 85, departed this world on September 19, 2010. He was born in Toledo on August 29th 1925 the last of four brothers to Leona (Bruhl) and Cornelius Petersen. During his youth, he sold newspapers and was a member of the Boy Scouts. He attended Macomber High School until he joined the U.S. Navy at the age of 17. He served his country honorably during World War II as a radioman on the LST 911. Karl was discharged on his 21st birthday in 1946 after which he returned to Macomber to finish his schooling. He met and married the love of his life, Rita Catherine Knaggs, on July 31st 1948 and together they successfully raised five children. He became a tool and die designer and retired the 1st time from Sharon Manufacturing, but soon returned to work at Peterson Engineering until age 75. During the 50's and 60's he was active in the Knights of Columbus and various parish activities at St. Clement and Blessed Sacrament Parishes. He was a member of the United States LST Association where he remained the treasurer until his death. After his wife of 58 years passed away he became involved with the American Legion Post 587 where he had the honor of being elected Post Commander in 2010. He was also a member of VFW Post 606, the Navel Memorial Association, and the North Toledo Sportsman's Club. Any spare time left in his later years was spent walking his dog Ike, emailing friends, watching sports, playing poker, and following the activities of his grandchildren. Karl was preceded in death by his wife Rita and his three brothers Corny, Bud and Jim. He is survived by his loving children, Kap (Dave)

Junge, Kip Petersen, Lauri Skay (Daniel Cunningham), Paula Roze-Petersen (Dan Skay), and Neal Petersen. In addition, he will be missed by his grandchildren Sarah (Karl) Wolpert, Kale (Kelly) Junge, Jenna (Josh) Way, and Deanna Skay, three great grandchildren Jaden and Joseph Way and Myla Junge, numerous nieces and nephews, many life long friends, and his best friend and dog Ike. His family wishes to extend many thanks to the doctors and staff of the ICUs at Toledo Hospital and to the staff of Hospice of Northwest Ohio who helped him move on. His charity, compassion, friendship and silent good were immeasurable and will be sorely missed. May God bless him. Friends are invited to visit after 11:00AM on Thursday September 23, 2010 in the Blessed Sacrament Church where the Mass of the Resurrection will immediately follow beginning at 12:00 Noon. Rev. John Stites Officiant. Interment will be private. In lieu of flowers please make any donations to Hospice of Northwest Ohio. Arrangements have been entrusted to the Ansberg-West Funeral Directors, 419-472-7633. To send the family online condolences, please visit www.ansberg-west.com. I am home in heaven, dear ones: Oh, so happy and so bright! There is perfect joy and beauty In this everlasting light. All the pain and grief is over, Every restless tossing passed: I am now at peace forever, Safely home in Heaven at last.

Tribute Wall

RR

“ So sorry to hear about Karl's passing. I've been traveling a lot , I'm currently in China, and wondered why I hadn't received his emails lately. I met Karl when he worked for me at Peterson Associates. He was a great guy to work with and I think he enjoyed contributing to us "youngsters". He brought a lot of life and much needed expertise to the job. He will be sorely missed. Rest in peace, KTP.

Russ Walker - russ.walker@rcwpeterson.com russ.walker@rcwpeterson.com - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ To Kap, Kip, Pap, Lap and Nap, I am so sorry to hear the news about your Dad. I remember his twinkling eyes and warm smile from our high school days. I hope the day comes soon when thinking of him makes you smile with happy memories. On behalf of all the Leydens, Noreen, Jay, Tracy, Mom and myself, we send our deepest condolences. Warm regards, Beth

Beth Leyden Ridgeway - betridge@mchsi.com betridge@mchsi.com - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

TT

“ Karl was a sweet guy! He recently helped me (grandson of Julius Petersen (Iowa Petersen)) with the family tree and coordinating my trip to Hattstedt, Germany to visit family and view Siegfried Christian Petersen's (Karl's grandfather) home there. What a CLASS guy! My dad Emory Petersen enjoyed his talks with his cousins from Toledo and remembers Karl fondly. He sends his best and condolences to the family along with my mom Elsin. Tom Petersen (now a Colorado Petersen)

Tom Petersen - tom.j.petersen@wellsfargo.com tom.j.petersen@wellsfargo.com - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ A wonderful son, Sailor, husband, father, uncle, grandfather, draftsman, American Legion Post Commander and the list goes on. You loved your wife as Christ loved the church. You trained up your children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. I am sure the Good Lord as already told you "Well Done, Thou Good and Faithful Servant." Thank you for being good to my wife (traveling to Annapolis for our wedding) and being good to our children (even giving our daughter a new name "Marilyn.") Looking forward to seeing you on the other shore. Fair well and Following Seas Unc! God Bless You!

Captain Lynn "Lynnbo" Petersen USN - ljakpetersen@verizon.net
ljakpetersen@verizon.net - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ My deepest sympathy. I only got to know him a short time as we served together on the board of directors of the L S T Association. Knew him as a man of great integrity. Will miss him at the meetings. The Burtovoy family L S T 565

Jack burtovoy - jburtovoy7676@hotmail.com jburtovoy7676@hotmail.com -
February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ Seeing Karl at the Post, sitting with him at dinners, dances etc was always such a pleasure. What a kind, wonderful man. He will be greatly missed. Our sympathy to his family, may he rest in peace. Bonnie and Norm

Bonnie Stine & Norm Black - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ I met and had the privilege of working with Karl during his years at Sharon Mfg. I always felt like he was watching over me and I'm sure that others felt the same way. I remember that he always had a twinkle in his eye. He was one of those men that you had instant respect for - a vanishing breed. I have no doubt that God has welcomed him Home. Thank you for all the wonderful memories. (It's still over not under Karl!)

Cathleen Darling-Fondren - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ Our deepest sympathies go out to the family. Pops will be greatly missed. Love, Mike & Katie

Mike & Katie Beard - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

BJ

“ Our sincere sympathy and prayers for Karl's family from all of us at "USS LST 325 Ship Memorial." He accomplished much in his lifetime. Fair winds and following seas. Bob & Lois Jornlin

Bob & Lois Jornlin - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

PL

“ Karl Petersen was very devoted to the U S LST Association where he was treasurer since it's beginning. He was also on the Board of Governors and will be missed by every veteran that knew him. Our condolences to his family and may he rest in peace. Eternal Memories

Peter Leasca - LSTWW2@aol.com LSTWW2@aol.com - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ I personally will miss Karl's smiling face on Fridays at the Fish Frys at Post 587, I worked the line with him and he is a fine gentleman and I am sorry to see another Ohio State Fan go down. Condolences to Laurie, Neal and Kip who I met with Karl's association.

Monnie Berger - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

JO

“ I wish to extend my sympathies to the Petersen family. I knew of Karl only thru his son-in-law, Dave Junge, when Karl and my daughter, Ann, were in Hospice at the same time. Both loved ones are safe and pain-free in God's loving arms. Sincerely, Jean Oberkiser

Jean Oberkiser - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ Uncle Karl was a special person. Family was important to him and he will be missed very much. He is now reunited with Aunt Rita, Grandma Leona, his Dad and his brothers. I am sure they are all celebrating just as they did when he returned home from WWII....lots of partying in Heaven!!!!

Kathy Schramko - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM