



Wayne A. Starr

Wayne A. Starr, age 79 passed away in Naples, Florida, his southern paradise, surrounded by his family on January 16, 2018. He was born November 18, 1938 in Montpelier, Ohio to Weldon Wesley and Helen Elizabeth Starr. He was raised in Edon, Ohio. In his early years Wayne worked on his Grandparent's farm, played on a baseball team that advanced to the semifinals in two separate League World Series and was manager of the high school basketball team.

After graduating from Edon High School in 1956, he attended the University of Toledo, receiving a BBA in Industrial Management. He worked his junior and senior year as a trainer for both the football and basketball teams.

Wayne's career started with Owens-Illinois and Surface Combustion for 4 years as an industrial engineer. On June 23, 1962 Wayne married Kay Krauss and together they had two children. In 1965 he joined the family insurance business and later purchased the agency and grew the business into a successful establishment.

While working, Wayne had an active military career serving for over 20 years. He enlisted in the U.S. Army Reserves, transferred to Special Forces Group and then to the 180th TAC Fighter Group with a commission to 2nd Lieutenant. In 1971 he transferred to the U.S. Air Force as the Admissions

Liaison Officer for the Air Force Academy. He proudly retired as a Lieutenant Colonel in 1992.

Wayne enjoyed coaching his children's athletic teams, He started sailing with his father-in-law that developed into racing and winning the Great Lakes Dragon Championship. In 1968 he sailed on a 39' yawl and won their class in every race they entered, including the Mills Race and Port Huron to Mackinaw Race. Later in his life he sailed remote sailboats with groups in Naples and Stone Oak CC Holland, Ohio.

Wayne served the community and sat on all the following boards: President of Sylvania TamO'Shanter, Pres. of Community Corporation, Pres. of Professional Insurance Assoc. in Ohio, Commodore of Naples Model Yacht Club, Board Member of Stone Oak Country Club and The Dunes in Naples Florida.

Wayne had a passion for travel. He organized trips from fishing and golf trips with the guys to traveling around the world with friends. Wayne and Kay were fortunate to travel to 25 different countries and 6 continents. Many family trips were planned traveling out west to camp in the mountains

Wayne leaves his wife of 55 years, Kay, son Jeffrey, daughter Wendy(Scott); his three grandchildren Jordan, Matthew and Nathan; his brothers Bob and Jon; sister-in-laws and brother-in-laws; nieces and nephews and many close friends.

He was loved by many and will be greatly missed.

The family will be celebrating his life in Naples, Florida on February 24th at 11:00 a.m. at The Dunes and a Toledo service will be held in the spring at Stone Oak Country Club on May 19, at 11:00am. Remembrances may be

made to Epworth United Methodist Church, The Toledo Zoo, PHassociation.org. (pulmonary arterial hypertension) or a charity of your choice. Arrangements have been entrusted to the Ansberg-West Funeral Directors, to send Wayne's family online condolences, please visit www.ansberg-west.com.

Tribute Wall

JJ

“ Kay, Wendy and Jeff,
Just learned today of Wayne's passing. I have many fond memories of time spent with Wayne. My life was richer for having known him. I am so sorry for your loss. May the many wonderful memories you have of time with him help ease your pain at this difficult time. My thoughts and prayers are with you.
Jim Jensen

Jim Jensen - February 09, 2018 at 10:06 AM

JE

“ Kay,

We were very sorry to hear of Wayne's passing. Although we would prefer to be with you in sunny and warm Florida. please know that we are thinking of you and your family and are looking forward to celebrating Wayne's life, here at Stone Oak, in May.

Joel and Davie

Joel and Davie Epstein - January 30, 2018 at 11:22 AM

JM

“ Dear Kay, Wendy and Jeff,

We were so sad to hear about Wayne's death. What a great guy and a life well-lived. He will be missed.

Our thoughts and prayers are with you all during this time.

John and Jan (Edsall) Merki

John and Jan (Edsall) Merki - January 24, 2018 at 12:58 PM

BL

“ *Kay, I was saddened to hear of Wayne's passing. I have you, Wendy, Jeff and family in my prayers. Love, Barb*

Barb Linebrink - January 22, 2018 at 10:56 PM

BR

“ *Mrs. Starr, Wendy, and Jeff*

Very sorry to hear of Mr. Starr's passing. Although it has been many years, I still can recall Mr. Starr's ready smile and hearty laugh. My thoughts and prayers are with your family.

Ben Rowe

Ben Rowe - January 22, 2018 at 09:19 PM

KF

“ *Dearest Kay And Family,*

There are no words that can ever, ever, totally explain the wonder of Wayne!!!!

No one will be able to fill those shoes and his wonderful attitude towards his fellow man.

God must have needed him in HEAVEN, because he was always so willing to help others!!

May God Hold ALL OF YOU in the Palm of HIS HANDS, during this difficult time. Prayers being sent to all of you.

Much Love,

Kathie Flood

Kathie Flood - January 22, 2018 at 05:52 PM

MR

“ Wayne touched many lives. I was fortunate enough to be one of those lives. He was involved and selfless in his leadership. I will miss him.

Mark Reilly - January 22, 2018 at 02:00 PM

JT

“ Kay and Family:

Death can never take a good man away, for in the hearts of the people he inspired, the legacy of Wayne remains and continues throughout generations. Our deepest sympathies to all the Starrs.

Love,

Jerry and Carolyn Tasker

Jerry & Carolyn Tasker - January 22, 2018 at 11:34 AM

DH

“ We want to extend our condolences.

We hope to to attend the service on Feb. 24

David & Ellen Hoover - January 21, 2018 at 01:52 PM

RP

“ Kay, Wendy and Jeff,
So sorry to hear of Wayne's passing. Please accept our condolences.

Jan and Rich Poll

Rich Poll - January 21, 2018 at 08:07 AM