



Jerry Frank Bauer

November 15, 1930 - May 17, 2020

JERRY FRANK BAUER, 89, of Port Charlotte, Florida passed away on Sunday, May 17, 2020 at Tidewell Hospice, Inc in Sarasota, Florida.

Born on November 15, 1930 at the Bauer Ranch in the Mancos Valley, Southwest Colorado; Jerry graduated from Mancos High School in 1948. He enlisted in the US Navy that same year. He had a career that spanned the next 22 years and retired honorably as a Commissioned Officer.

A Korean veteran serving on the USS Osceola and then 2 years with Fleet Activities at Sasebo Japan, Jerry spent 18 years in the submarine service serving on diesel electric submarines: Torsk, Spikefish, Sterlet, Cusk, and Queenfish. While serving on the USS Torsk, he earned his Silver Dolphins and while serving on the USS Sterlet, he earned the Gold Dolphins signifying the completion of Line Officer qualification in submarines.

In 1957, Jerry was selected to the Nuclear Submarine service and completed qualification in Idaho prior to assignment at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii serving on USS Sterlet. Jerry rose through the enlisted ranks to E7, Chief Petty Officer which at that time was the highest enlisted rate. In 1960, he was awarded a field promotion to Ensign and on his retirement had advanced to Lieutenant. During his naval career Jerry was awarded several medals and commendations for his performance. In addition to serving on submarines Jerry also served as Crew Chief at the S5W Nuclear Reactor Arco, Idaho; Submarine Squadron 1 Division 12 Engineer Pearl Harbor, Hawaii; Assistant Director Submarine School Groton, Connecticut. Jerry finished his Naval career on the USS Fulton, a submarine nuclear repair ship operating out of New London, Connecticut as the Electrical Repair Division Officer.

Jerry was a life member of the Military Officers of America: VFW Post 10362 where he was Post Commander, the American Legion Post 192: USSVI and a member of the prestige's Holland Club for members qualified in submarines for more than 50 years. Prior to relocating to Port Charlotte from Connecticut, Jerry owned and operated three Connecticut based companies: Roybal Fire Equipment Co., Dreamers Unlimited LLC and BB Renovators LLC.

Survivors include his loving wife of sixty-five years: Shirley Marie Roybal Bauer; three sons; Jerry Jr. and his wife Phyllis of Rockfall Connecticut; Ronald of Windsor Locks,

Connecticut; and Daniel and his wife Charlene of Hartland, Vermont; one granddaughter: Amanda Bauer of Rayne, Louisiana; nieces: Darby Re'Voal of Eugene, Oregon and Jeanne Banks of Washington and a nephew: John Viles of Great Falls, Montana. Jerry's cremains will be interred in the Cedar Grove Cemetery in Mancos, Colorado, a family plot located in a part of the Bauer Ranch donated to the Cemetery Association in 1949 by his parents, Phil and Esma Rickner Bauer.

Memorial contributions may be made to Middlefield Rockfall V.F.W. Post 10362, Post Office Box 86, Rockfall, Connecticut 06481.

At this time, no celebration of life for Jerry can be planned.

Englewood Community Funeral Home with Private Crematory has been selected to handle arrangement. You may share a memory with the family at www.engagewoodfh.com

Comments



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Trish Boucher - May 27 at 02:44 PM



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Dear Shirley and Family, so sorry for your loss. Jerry was such a kind person and always full of fun and good jokes. He was always good to me and did so many things for me when i really needed his help, most times without even asking. He and Shirley always showed me a good time in Florida, and always welcomed me at their home in Ct.. We had many good times over the years and became very close. He will forever hold a Special place in my Heart forever. Prayers and Love to you all at this most difficult time.



Bonnie Roybal - May 27 at 01:31 PM



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So sorry Aunt Shirley and cousins Jerry, Ron and Dan at this difficult time. Uncle Jerry will be greatly missed by the family He was a great man! I have many fond and funny memories of him. Prayers to all of you in this time of sorrow

Lori Bertrand - May 26 at 12:20 PM



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Dear cousin Shirley, so sorry for your loss! I have many fond memories of Jerry, he was always so kind and so much fun. Many prayers and much love to you.

Mary Kimport - May 23 at 08:39 AM



“ The world will miss your laughter which was always plentiful.

John Wojcicki Jr. - May 23 at 07:49 AM



“ Dan, Charlene, and Bauer Family,

May times passing somehow help to ease your loss and sorrow, and may the memories left behind bring comfort for tomorrow.

With sympathy, Don and Karen Ziobron.

Don - May 23 at 07:13 AM



“ Jerry was a great guy! He always made me laugh! He was a gentle caring soul! RIP dear friend! You will be missed!

Deborah Paul - May 22 at 06:42 PM



“ Rest In Peace Uncle Jerry!! Until we meet again ... I will miss our conversations on Native American artifacts. I am so sorry to Aunt Shirley and family for your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Love Roger Kindschi and family.

roger - May 21 at 09:03 PM