



Claude Stephenson

July 22, 1927 - August 30, 2012

Myrtle Beach...Cdr. Claude M. Stephenson (a.k.a. Steve Stephenson), U.S. Navy Ret., age 85, of National Drive, died Thursday, August 30, 2012, at his residence.

Mr. Stephenson was born in St. Paul Minnesota, a son of the late Claude Perry and Laura J. Karnick Stephenson. He was a retired commander in the U.S. Navy where he served for twenty - three years as a naval aviator. Mr. Stephenson was also retired from Grumman Aerospace Corporation where he worked as Head Safety Engineer on the F-14 Tomcat. He loved to go sail-fishing and tuna fishing in Mexico as well as duck and pheasant hunting in Minnesota. Mr. Stephenson was predeceased by his first wife, Annette Pulis Stephenson and their two daughters, Patricia and Suzanne.

Surviving are his wife, Mary Stephenson of Myrtle Beach; two sons, James P. Stephenson (Debra) of Fernandina Beach, FL and Colin C. Stephenson (Michelle) of Rockaway, NY; three daughters, Paula N. Wall (Mark) of Long Beach NY; Kimberly Stephenson (Richard Barajas) of Myrtle Beach, and Joanne Stephenson and her fiancé, Matthew Tierney of Little River. Mr. Stephenson had seven grandchildren: Scott Stephenson, Mark Stephenson, Jared Stephenson, Neil Wall, Alec Wall, Iain Wall, and Kathrine Stephenson. He has two siblings, one brother, Paul Stephenson (Peggy) of Minnesota and one sister, Patricia Frey of Wisconsin.

A Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 4:00 in the afternoon this Tuesday at St. James Catholic Church, Conway. Reverend Timothy M. Lijewski will be

officiating.

Memorials may be sent to Catholic Charities of the Pee Dee, 537 Hwy. 90, Conway, SC 29526, Heartland Hospice, 1500 Main Street, Conway, SC 29526 or St. James Catholic Church, 1701 Academy Drive, Conway, SC 29526.

Sign a guestbook at www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Grand Strand Funeral Home & Crematory

Myrtle Beach, SC 29588-

Previous Events

Service

SEP 4. 4:00 PM (ET)

St. James Catholic Church
1071 Academy Drive
Conway, SC 29526
<http://www.stjamesconway.org/>