



Donald E Schnirel

June 3, 1940 - March 9, 2020

SCHNIREL, Donald E. Peacefully laid down his working tools on March 9, 2020 in Myrtle Beach, SC at the age of 79. Don was born on June 3, 1940 in Buffalo, NY to the late Norman Schnirel and Irene Stretch Schnirel. Don graduated from Kenmore High School in 1958 and enlisted in the U.S. Navy in 1959. In 1963, after his enlistment was completed, he joined the U. S. Naval Reserves, serving our country for a total of nearly 35 years. After his enlistment concluded, he worked for the Village of Kenmore, NY and was in charge of the water department until his retirement in 2000. Don and his beloved wife Joan relocated to Myrtle Beach, SC in 2010.

Don was a long time member of the Masonic Fraternity. He was Past Master of Master Builder Lodge 911 F&AM, Kenmore, NY, serving in 1972, and later served as the Secretary for over 25 years. He became a member of Ken-Ton Lodge 1186 in Cheektowaga, NY. He later affiliated with Murrells Inlet Lodge 368 AFM in Murrells Inlet, SC. He was a member of Ismalia Shrine, Buffalo, NY, prior to affiliating with Omar Shrine in Charleston, SC. He was honored by the Grand Lodge of South Carolina in 2017 for his 50 years of service to Free Masonry.

Don is survived by his wife Joan P. Schnirel of Myrtle Beach, SC. He is also survived by his children Melanie Quezada (Pete) of Grand Island, NY and Gregory Schnirel (Kelly) of Jacksonville, FL. He is survived by his step-children Kathryn Kahn (Stewart) of Myrtle Beach, SC; Bruce Bowers of Saint

Cloud, MN; and Brian Bowers (Linda) of Mundelein, IL. He is survived by his brother N. David Schnirel (Jean) of Williamsville, NY. He is also survived by his nine grandchildren.

Don, all who knew you wish you "Fair Winds and Following Seas".

Memorial services will be private.

Flowers are gratefully declined. Donations in his memory may be made to Shriners Hospital for Children at shrinershospitalsforchildren.org.

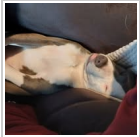
Tribute Wall

PP

“I just discovered that Don had passed after learning of Joan's passing today and am so sorry for your loss. I worked with Don in the Village of Kenmore years ago and got to meet Joan as a result. They were simply two of the nicest and kindest people I had the pleasure of meeting. I will always remember their warm smiles and genuinely nice personalities. My prayers and sympathy to your entire family.”

Paul Pfeiffer

Paul Pfeiffer - July 24, 2020 at 12:21 PM



“I have to tell you that his obituary was one of the finest I have read in years. May he rest now.”

Becky Arcese - March 18, 2020 at 07:09 AM

FY

“from ROD&BIZ Stellrecht lockport new york purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Donald E Schnirel.”



from ROD&BIZ Stellrecht lockport new york - March 17, 2020 at 03:56 PM

RO

“ I am so sorry when I was told about Don we both spent over 65 years doing things like High school, DeMolay, Lodge, I had thoughts of a visit to Don and Joan for our Birthdays for June, Joan hope you are well. I am sorry for your loss may god be with at this time
Twin, Brother and mostly Friend Rod Stellrecht

Rod - March 17, 2020 at 03:19 PM

BI

“ so sorry to hear of Don, passing .We spent many happy hours together when he lived in WNY or came back to visit. Even after moving he kept in touch with my husband. We had planned on going down to see him and Joan for his birthday, which he shares with my husband. Maybe we will have to raise a cup for him at Rod's birthday.
Elizabeth (Biz) Stellrecht

Biz - March 17, 2020 at 02:23 PM

BD

“ So sorry to hear about Don's passing. My deepest sympathy to Joan and family. I worked closely with Don for many years at the Village of Kenmore. He was always conscientious and upbeat with co-workers and customers alike. He will be missed.
Barbara Dorn

Barbara Dorn - March 17, 2020 at 10:49 AM

GS

“ Our deepest sympathy to Joan and The Schnirel family. I Worked with Don for several years at the Village of Kenmore. So sorry for your loss. 💙🙏💙
Sincerely Gil & Grace Streicher and family

Grace Streicher - March 16, 2020 at 06:42 PM

DW

“ I've only know Don for about 7 years when we first bought our condo which is two units down from him. Don is a good friend and always had the community at heart. His journey here on earth is now complete. He is now on a new journey to our Father in Heaven. God Bless you my Friend. Our Love goes out to Joan, for our Lord to give her comfort and peace during this difficult time. Doug and Ellen

Doug Walls - March 16, 2020 at 09:15 AM

PH

“ May God bless Joan and family and comfort them.

Pat Howard - March 15, 2020 at 09:12 AM

SK

“ It was a shock to here of Dons passing! But to show what a small world this is, when my father passed away 2 years ago in Myrtle Beach, Don recognized the name from living in Kenmore NY. He came to my fathers wake and as he walked up to me and introduced his self, I said “You look really familiar?”. Come to find out when I was in high school and college I worked part time for the Village of Kenmore where Don was employed and we attended Church with his family members back home in Kenmore.

It was very nice that he came to pay his respects! May Don be at peace and prayers for the family.

Scott Kropidlowski - March 14, 2020 at 09:47 PM