



Robert Kenneth Peterson

August 4, 1947 - November 1, 2020

Robert K. Peterson “Bob” passed away on November 1, 2020 at his home in North Port, Florida. He was born on August 4, 1947 in Minneapolis, MN to Oliver “Kenny” and Florence Peterson. He graduated from New London – Spicer high school in 1965, where he was well known for his athletic ability in multiple sports.

Bob graduated from the University of Minnesota and married Blanche deCathelineau of Willmar, MN on September 28, 1968. He worked in labor relations in the mining industry until 1976, and he returned to Spicer, MN after purchasing the family resort from Kenny and Florence Peterson in 1976. He and Blanche owned and operated North Shore Resort on Nest Lake until they retired in 2005. Bob was involved in the community, especially in the lake and the area resort associations.

In 2009, Robert and Blanche started to split time between their home in Spicer and their residence in North Port, Florida, where he could be in the sunshine he loved and happily entertain the many guests he invited down to Florida.

Bob is preceded in death by his parents and his brother, Steve Peterson. He is survived by wife Blanche, Sharolyn (Steve) Peterson, sister Susan Roley (Jay), and brother Rick Peterson (Lisa); his in laws Louis deCathelineau, Margaret Thompson and Beverly Williams. He is also survived by his sons Jason Peterson of Spicer, MN and Kyle (and Tracy) Peterson of Clear Lake, MN; three grandchildren: Krystal Garvais, Morgan Peterson and Kailey Peterson, and great grandson Vincent Garvais. He also leaves behind nephews, nieces and many friends.

Bob was a caring, loving and generous person, with an infectious smile. He was always up for a good time and was so welcoming. His positive and caring nature touched many people in a special way. He had a special way of making people around him feel good. His soothing voice, big smile, twinkle in his eye, and sound advice gave comfort to those he knew.

Besides his love for sports, Bob enjoyed his daily trips to town spend time with his friends, either playing cards, shaking dice or engaging in other mischief. He was an active person. He loved to entertain and have guests, where his wonderful smile would show most. He adored being with his grandchildren, and their education was important to him. Two of his favorite hobbies were listening to his music during happy hour and coaxing Blanche into a dance, as well as fishing for bluegills. It gives the family comfort to know he fished more than ever this last summer, and his last meal before passing was bluegill he had caught and brought down to Florida from Spicer.

Events

NOV **Visitation** 03:00PM - 05:00PM

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