



Bruce F. Dubuque

January 10, 1943 - September 18, 2019

Bruce F. Dubuque, 76, of Bonita Springs, FL passed away peacefully Wednesday, September 18, 2019 surrounded by his loving family. He was a lifelong resident of Grand Isle, VT and had been wintering in Bonita Springs since 2003. Bruce was born January 10, 1943 in Burlington, VT the son of the late Clarence and Blanche (Savage) Dubuque. Bruce joined the Army National Guard at age 19. After graduating from Milton High School, he went to work at the Grand Isle Cooperatively Creamery which later became a store that he owned and operated (Old Creamery Store) for several years. In addition, he was a constable and a justice of the peace. In 1986 Bruce took a full-time roll in the Army National Guard as First Sergeant at the Mountain Warfare School in Jericho, a position in which he was well respected. He retired in 2001. In his younger years, Bruce enjoyed bowling and playing horseshoes. In more recent years, he liked playing beanbags and shuffleboard. Throughout his life, Bruce found pleasure in camping with his wife, children, and nine grandchildren. He loved the beach and being out in the sun. Bruce and Marianne traveled across the country, not once, but twice in their motorhome. There were only two states he never visited: Nebraska and Kansas. He loved fishing; he liked to say he caught 129 groupers, but no keepers. He was an avid reader and found enjoyment in puzzles and socializing with his many friends. As a sports enthusiast, he was a fan of the Boston Red Sox and the Kanas City Chiefs. Bruce will be remembered for his sense of humor.

Survivors include his beloved wife of 54 years, Marianne P. (Decarreau) Dubuque; loving children, Travis J. (Adria Vanartsdalen and her son Eric) Dubuque of Grand Isle, VT, Kristie (Chad) Morris of N. Woodstock, NH, Marny (Chuck) McGee of Urbana, MD; grandchildren, Hailey, Cady, Riley Dubuque; Jacob, Brady, Andrew Morris; Alexandra, Madeline and Charlotte McGee; and dear friend and brother-in-law, Daniel Decarreau of Grand Isle, VT. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister, LouAnn Stewart. Memorial services will be held in both, Bonita Springs, FL and Grand Isle, VT at later dates. Memorial contributions in Bruce's name may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project, P.O. Box 758516, Topeka, KS 66675-8516. To sign his guest register or to leave online condolences please visit www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com. Arrangements are being handled by Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home and Crematory Family Owned and Operated Since 1978.

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Daniel Decarreau - September 23, 2019 at 06:42 PM



“ When Bruce was living at Bonita Lake RV Resort we used to play Bean Bag. For several years Bruce and I played in the Mixed Couples Tournament. The last year we played we won the tournament!

Peg McShea - September 23, 2019 at 03:14 PM



“ I'll always remember Bruce as the First Sergeant of the Army Mountain Warfare School. He was a man who took outstanding care of his soldiers and officers and played a large role in developing the AMWS into a first class military unit. He had the respect and loyalty of everyone in the organization and I know a lot of people will miss him. I remember stopping by his office frequently to discuss a wide variety of issues (everything from the Red Sox chances to what the AMWS instructors were trying to get away with) and I always enjoyed that time spent in his company. Bruce and I retired from the AMWS on the same day and we had to go to Fort Drum, NY for medical outprocessing. I picked him up at home in South Hero and we drove 4 hours to FT Drum. They were done with us in about 20 minutes and we headed home. You meet a lot of people in the military and, Bruce, you were one of the best. Rest in peace, Brother.

Alex Smyle - September 22, 2019 at 09:02 AM



“ Maryann and family
I'm so sorry to hear of Bruce's passing. You are all in my prayers

Linda Rabideau Crady - September 21, 2019 at 07:39 PM



“ Marianne and family,
Rich will certainly miss Bruce on the shuffleboard court. He also enjoyed fishing with him. We extend our sympathy to you and your family.

Rich and Mary Beth

Mary Wood - September 21, 2019 at 07:37 PM



“ I remember Bruce tilling the ground behind our house on Rte. 314 for our garden and Janet and me going to the Creamery Store for all sorts of things. It was nice knowing him visiting you guys in Bonita Springs.
Mike Lavery

Michael Lavery - September 21, 2019 at 04:37 PM



“ It is with sincere sorrow I note the passing of Bruce Dubuque. A good friend who always had a smile and was quick to share his wit. I remember our days when we camped with Bruce and Marianne and will always remember those good times around the campfires. I last saw Bruce and Marianne this summer when I visited them in Grand Isle. Never would have thought that in a few short months he would no longer be with us. Will miss you my friend, and will always miss the e-mails you sent. They provided me with many a chuckle. Our sincere condolences to Marianne and family. We are thinking of you at this time of loss.
Don & Kerri LaCross

Don LaCross - September 21, 2019 at 03:38 PM



“ I remember Bruce mostly from the days when Kristie and Travis worked at Grand Isle State Park - so, the early to mid-80s. He was always so much fun and positive. He was really one of those people one would call “the salt of the earth”. A true Good Guy. We are thinking of you all and hold you close in our hearts.
—Lee & Bob Curtiss

Lee Curtiss - September 21, 2019 at 12:38 PM