



George Braendle

December 20, 1943 - October 18, 2022

George Braendle 78, of Estero, FL, passed away on Tuesday, October 18, 2022. Formerly of Metamora, MI, he had been a resident of Bonita and Estero for the past 24 years. He was born December 20, 1943, in Switzerland, the son of Franziska (née Dahinden) and Edwin Braendle.

Mr. Braendle was a former executive in the chemical industry for over 50 years before moving to Florida. George, his wife, Deborah, and his stepdaughter, Lisa, had a passion for animals and in 2008 they purchased Bonita Boarding Kennel and Pet Camp and still operate it today.

Mr. Braendle was very supportive of local charities, including the Guadalupe Center in Immokalee. Through Bonita Boarding Kennel he also supported the American Red Cross, the American Cancer Society, Everglades Wonder Gardens, Golisano Children's Hospital and the YMCA. George was a very kind and generous person. He touched many peoples' lives, and everyone who knew him loved him.

He is survived by his loving wife, Deborah M. Braendle of Estero, FL; his daughter, Tanja Braendle and her husband, Sean Slattery; and granddaughters, Meegan Slattery and Kyra Slattery; stepdaughter, Lisa Happle and grandchildren, Zoey, Alana, Jayden and Hailey.

A memorial visitation for George will be held on Tuesday, November 1, 2022 from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM at Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home 28300 S. Tamiami Tr., Bonita Springs, FL.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial contributions be made to the Bonita Springs Assistance Office for the Hurricane Ian Victim's Assistance fund. (<https://www.bonitaassistance.org/donate-now>).

Online condolences may be offered at www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com

Arrangements are being handled by Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home Family Owned and Operated Since 1978.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

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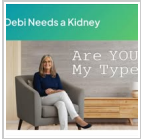
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Tribute Wall



“ *George Braendle*

October 09, 2023 at 03:40 AM



“ *Deborah McCrum Braendle lit a candle in memory of George Braendle*



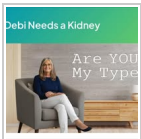
Deborah McCrum Braendle - November 01, 2022 at 01:22 PM



“ *Rays of Light Spray was purchased for the family of George Braendle.*



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Deborah McCrum Braendle - October 26, 2022 at 09:53 PM

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“ My husband and I met the Braendle’s 24 years ago, the same year we both arrived in Florida, and the four of us instantly became fast friends. We spent many fun times on Pelican Landing’s beach starting with brunch and staying the entire day. George made excellent bloody Mary’s and we supplied the bagels and lox. We did many road trips and traveled extensively cross country and into Canada never having any reservations or a real destination. George and my husband shared the driving while Debi and I sat in the back and knit and crocheted. One of the highlights of our outings was sharing Happy Hour no matter where we were! Out came the cooler with all kinds of snacks, cheese, crackers and, of course, the vodka! We laughed, joked, reminisced and thoroughly enjoyed the camaraderie between us. On one of our earlier trips the Braendle’s had a camper but opted for the luxury of a hotel room. We were in Banff and the weather was frigid. Truffles, their cat remained in the camper for the night as they snuggled underneath warm blankets in their luxurious room. Debi kept thinking Truffles was freezing and at some ungodly hour sent George out to check on her. Good natured as he was, he bundled up and walked to where the camper was parked only to find Katie quite content and warm. The next day they discovered the Banff Hotel allowed pets!

George did everything he possibly could, regardless of where we were, or the task at hand and did so with a smile and a gracious heart. He loved to be on the water, first with his sailboat, and then in time, when he became a member of the Bay Water Boat Club. Whether it was the four of us or a crowd the name of the game was pleasure, fun, and laughter. He and my husband were the best of friends in spite of the fact both could be very hard headed. Friendship always came first. When George passed away Debi said she hoped Harris would be waiting with cocktails in hand to greet George as he arrived in heaven. Knowing both of them as we do, Debi and I are positive that was the case. Time, distance and circumstance never separates true friends.

Big hugs and much love to you, Debi. George is in our hearts

forever.

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“ *I will miss our talks about life past and present. I will miss your smile and your support with any situation no matter if it was good or bad. You always treated me and anybody you met with kindness and compassion and respect. You would fight for those you loved with all your heart my warrior. I will also miss my honey-do guy you were the best. Bottom line is I am a better person for having you in my life for almost 15 years. I know and believe you will be a angel sent to watch over me. God Speed George until we meet again xoxoxo*



*Love always,
Cheryl*

Cheryl - October 26, 2022 at 10:13 AM