



## Karl Drzymala

October 24, 1943 - January 20, 2026

Karl Drzymala, 82, of Fort Myers, Florida, passed away peacefully on January 20, 2026, surrounded by his family at Hope Hospice. Karl grew up in Verona, New Jersey, and raised his family in Point Pleasant, New Jersey — a town he loved dearly.

Karl served as a member of the New Jersey National Guard. He had fond memories of time spent with Point Pleasant Borough Fire Company #1 as a firefighter, as well as his involvement with the Brick Township Rotary and Rotary International. Karl was deeply thankful for his many friends and the friendships he cherished throughout his life.

Karl was predeceased by his parents, Philomena and Karl Drzymala; his daughter, Arleen Drzymala; his son, Allen Drzymala; and his beloved wife, Janet Mae (Gray) Drzymala.

He is survived by his sons, James of Fort Myers, Florida, and Kris of Toms River, New Jersey. Karl is also survived by the six grandchildren he lived for and loved to talk about — Brett, Jesse, Fallan, Savannah, Colby, and Lynden — as well as his great-grandchildren, Nixie and Teddy. He is also survived by his sister, Margaret Peterson of Parsippany, New Jersey.

A private service will be held in the spring, where his remains will be placed with Janet's at his request in New Jersey.

To sign his guest register or leave online condolences, please visit [www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com](http://www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com).

Arrangements are being handled by Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home, family

owned and operated since 1978.

The family requests that any gifts be made in Karl's name to a charity supported by your local Rotary Club.

# Tribute Wall

KR

“Karl or Mr Dryzmala ... was such a good man. I met him as his one of Kris's best friends growing up in H.S . He was always welcoming into his beautiful home in PT Pleasant, whereas I learned to become a pool shark and learned tricks on his beloved pool table. My condolences to the family. I know losing a father of this stature is most difficult. Hes well loved and lived a wonderful life. He will be at peace with his wife and children.

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**Kara Russomanno** - April 11 at 10:58 PM

AS

“So many happy memories of Karl. His term as Rotary District Governor. The many community services projects he proposed and supported. I always enjoyed seeing and speaking with Karl at District events. He even joined my Red Bznk Club for our Annual picnics. Karl, we will all miss you for your leadership, fellowship and friendship. A giving and kind man. Rest is peace my friend. Addie



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**Addie Schmidt** - March 04 at 10:35 AM

CM

“My deepest sympathies go to the family. Karl was on of our oldest and dearest friends. Join Janet and have a great reunion. He will be missed. Connie Maiorine

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**connie Maiorine** - March 03 at 01:25 PM

SD

“ *Sandra Davidson lit a candle in memory of Karl Drzymala*



Sandra Davidson - February 25 at 08:39 PM

KD

“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*



Kris Drzymala - February 10 at 08:11 PM

KD

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Kris Drzymala - February 10 at 08:09 PM

GK

“ *I worked with Karl at Enterprise and the one thing I will always remember that during one of the worst hurricanes that we encountered Karl offered my wife and I a place to stay during the hurricane. Just one of the nicest things about Karl. My wife and I both worked with Karl and will miss him.*

George Kazakis - February 07 at 11:38 AM

RP

“ *With his low, gravelly voice and calm demeanor, he was known as the Godfather amongst us drivers at Enterprise. He was always pleasant and shared many stories with me about his off-shore racing days. He was my friend and I always enjoyed his company!*



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**Rick Piper** - January 31 at 09:11 AM



“ *May the love of God surround you and your family during this difficult time,  
May you come to know that the love of God is with you always,  
  
May your memories of Karl Drzymala, give you peace, comfort and strength...  
  
Rest now in the arms of our Lord your mission on earth is complete.  
I thank you for your service to our Country and my Freedom.  
You will not be forgotten...  
My thoughts  
and prayers to the family of ....  
  
US National Guard Veteran, Karl Drzymala, is “A True American Hero” God Bless†  
  
† Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. John 15:13 †*

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**Cheryl Skinner, Tri-state Military Museum** - January 31 at 06:09 AM

KK

“ I was the pesky kid who was always looking over the fence at the backyard parties always hoping to be invited to come in for a swim. Karl always welcomed me. In high school I would just come in and open the fridge to see what leftovers were there. Karl and Janet were and always be my second parents. When Janet was very ill I went down to Cape Coral to see her. She didn't know I was coming but Karl did. When I got there and rang the doorbell I heard him tell her it's some pesky kid from the neighborhood. When she came to the door we both broke into tears. I will miss you Mr D you were a good guy even though you cursed too much. Forever in my heart and memories.

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**Kevin Kloza** - January 30 at 09:40 PM

SG

“ Christmas was not complete without the Christmas Eve get together at the Drzymala's.  
The pool table was converted to an amazing spread with Janet's ziti being the best!  
The pool was always open as Janet watched us splash & play.  
Then of course 4th of July with Karl grilling & people coming & going between the beach & the food!  
Thank you Karl & Janet for all our memories growing up on Heid Court

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**Skye (Stewart) Gallagher** - January 30 at 02:29 PM

KD

I got the recipes for the stuffed artichokes and the ziti and Great Grams Gravy Sauce 😊 mom got to teach me another of great tastes and yes it was never complete without the XMAS PARTIES

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**Kris Drzymala** - February 10 at 08:08 PM

JK

“ Heartfelt condolences . Karl was a great friend.

John & Alice Keimel - January 29 at 09:44 PM



“ Hope your reunited with everyone..Hopefully you get to meet my mom..Ty for raising your son Kris to be the man he is today. Rest easy love you..keep a watch over Kris..and yes I will keep kris out of trouble❤️❤️

Angie Robert - January 29 at 06:16 PM

JH

“ Karl hired me as a 17yr old young man when he owned KD Chevron. From the very beginning I felt like I was part of there family. Spent many summer days at there home swimming in there pool and BBQing. I'm 60 yrs old now and usually you forget people that you met 43yrs ago but not Karl and Janet. They left a lasting impression on me and never will forget them. Rest easy KD

James H - January 29 at 04:11 PM

DK

“ Hug Arlene for me! Rest in peace sir.

Deborah Kernor - January 29 at 03:00 PM

RL

“ *Best friends for over 65 years, always together since we were 17 year old no it all's. We shared many days and nights working on cars and racing them, on the street and at Island drag strip. We met our girlfriends at the same time dated for almost the same amount of time before we both were married near the same time. Always there when you need a friend or help with anything. Forever in my heart buddy. Rest in peace, my friend.*

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**Richard Luzzi** - January 29 at 02:26 PM

KD

*I love you uncle Rich ❤️*

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**Kris Drzymala** - January 29 at 03:00 PM

JD

“ *Rest easy, we have it from here dad. Enjoy your reunion with everyone in the next chapter.*

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**Jim Drzymala** - January 29 at 01:52 PM

FP

*Your Dad was a great Man, Dad, Husband. We will miss him.*

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**Frank Prince** - January 29 at 04:47 PM

JH

*I met Karl and Janet about 10 years ago when they lived in Sandoval, Cape Coral.*

*Karl helped check on my house when I was in Canada ... even when they left the community he still wanted to continue. We had a great friendship and many meals together. After losing Janet, Karl continued to help me, he was always there ... even went out of his way despite hurricanes and having his own home to care for. I will forever appreciate the friendship and will miss getting together from time to time.*

*Rest easy and I hope you are reunited with family.*

*Thank you for everything Karl*

*My condolences to the family.*

*With love and prayers, Jan Huntley*

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**Jan Huntley** - January 31 at 11:51 AM