



Reed K. Jarvi

March 1, 1954 - December 21, 2015

Reed Jarvi, USNR (ret.), passed away quietly on December 21, 2015 at AVOW Hospice of Naples.

Reed hailed from Ashtabula Ohio, and was the eldest son of Jane and Hubert. He attended Harbor High and was awarded an appointment to the United States Naval Academy in spring of 1972, joining the Class of 1976 on July 1st of that summer. While at the Naval Academy, Reed was in the 28th Company, majored in Mechanical Engineering and played club rugby. Upon commissioning in June 1976, he selected flight training and received his wings of gold as a Naval Flight Officer. Following training in VP-30 at NAS Jacksonville, Reed reported to VP-56. While in Jacksonville, Reed met Darlene Chury and they married on April 3, 1982. Following the completion of his active duty commitment, Reed left the regular Navy, eventually affiliating with the Naval Air Reserves at NAS Jacksonville where he retired with the rank of Commander on October 1, 1998

Reed and Darlene relocated to Naples FL in 1989, where they settled down to a life of work, play and building a large network of friends. Reed went into a successful career as a civil engineer with Agnoli, Barber and Brundage while Darlene continued her passion for teaching. He went on to work as a consultant and vice-president for Vanesse Daylor in Ft. Myers. He ended his career at Collier County as a Transportation Planning Manager.

Reed continued to play club rugby, traveling internationally, and over time became a rugby coach with the men's Naples Hammerheads, Naples Lady Hammerhead Rugby Club and Naples Bears High School Rugby Club. Reed's reputation was as someone who cared far more for others than for himself. He will be sorely missed, but the biggest thing everyone will miss is his smile and grin. He was a great man, mentor and friend to all. Reed was a magnet for people and brought the best out in everyone.

Reed is survived by his wife of 33 years, Darlene.

He is predeceased by his Father, Mother and a brother, Jay.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made AVOW Hospice of Naples who took such good care of him, the Naples High School "Bears" and/or Naples Men's Hammerheads" Rugby Clubs and the Naval Academy Rugby Athletic Association.

Service to be held at a later date in January.

Arrangements are being handled by Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home.

Tribute Wall



“ *Reed K. Jarvi*

October 09, 2023 at 03:40 AM



“ *I was saddened to hear of Reed's passing. Our paths crossed when he was ABB and i was at Lee Co DOT&E. We worked together navigating through site development traffic impact studies, and we both learned from each other. Later, he hired me at Vanasse Daylor to run the day-to-day production and marketing for the Transportation department. What I remembered he was secure enough with himself and his job that he was willing to teach me nuances of the job that mad me a better project manager, as well as allowing me to hone skills that I brought with me.*

*it was great working for and with him, and he will be sorely missed.
Fair winds and following seas, old friend!*

Randy Spradling - January 05, 2016 at 03:55 PM



“ *Rest in peace Reed. You left this world a better place. I am glad to have known you as a good friend, neighbor, and community leader.*

Walter Crawford - January 01, 2016 at 08:26 PM

MH

“ Reed was my Plebe Year roomie at Annapolis.....so he will always hold a special place in my memories. The big smile and sense of humor of this guy from Ashtabula, Ohio, helped the 28th Company Class of '76 survive that 1st challenging year at Annapolis. I was somewhat infuriated that I could not beat "Pugsley" (1 of his numerous nicknames---in deference, of course, to his somewhat-resemblance to the Addams Family character) in squash that year. How could my 170 lbs of athleticism not prevail over a 230-lb'er in such a competition? Alas, I found out that his extensive prior tennis experience more than offset what I felt was my superior agility! When I think of Reed, I immediately think "rugby"-----even though I never played the sport and never saw him play a match. I regret that I missed the last reunion for '76 and that I guess I had not seen him since our 30th back in 2006. We will all miss Reed's huge smile and friendly demeanor. My thoughts and prayers go out to Darlene and the rest of his family.

Mark (Hogger/Hogman) Haas - January 01, 2016 at 02:17 PM

KE

“ I was saddened to learn of Reed's passing. He was a friend, Classmate and Company-mate at USNA. He was a great guy! Kevin Eagle

Kevin Eagle - December 30, 2015 at 08:24 AM

JP

“ There are a lot of fine things I could say about Reed's indomitable sense of humor, his unique perspective, or the way he could simplify even the most complex problem; but you all already know it by heart.

I will say this- I hope that Reed's legacy lives on in those of us that he has inspired, the lives he's touched, and the friendships he created amongst us. God bless...

John Podczerwinsky - December 29, 2015 at 03:28 PM

DA

“ 18 files added to the album *New Album Name*



Darlene - December 28, 2015 at 03:05 PM

BM

God bless you Darlene for your endless care to Reed this past year and for showing us all your commitment and enduring love for Reed. You are truly a gem! God will see you thru! xo -Brenda

Brenda Millage - January 02, 2016 at 11:20 AM



Darlene, I'm so sorry for your loss. Reed was a good guy and we will miss him.

Mike Miller - January 03, 2016 at 11:46 PM

DA

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Darlene - December 28, 2015 at 02:35 PM

DJ

“ 1 file added to the album New Album Name



darlene jarvi - December 28, 2015 at 11:29 AM

DD

“ All of us have lost a very special friend. Our thoughts and prayers are with you, Darlene.

Duke and Carole

Duke & Carole Dushanek - December 26, 2015 at 01:19 PM

JC

“ Reed had an absolutely infectious sense of humor in meetings. I always looked forward to his tie, that day, as well. A professional's Professional, he was the ultimate problem solver, as I knew him, a Traffic Engineer. Our thoughts, prayers, and good thoughts are with your family. Reed was an asset to the Naples community. Sincerely, Jeffrey S. Curl and family.

Jeffrey S. Curl - December 25, 2015 at 03:29 PM

BD

“ So many times together and so many memories.....for the many friends of Reed. It has always made me grateful to God for his gift of "MEMORY". Darlene has the most and it is going to be her treasure. Friends (Bob and me included) will recall so many good things about Reed. We know his love for Darlene, his love for Navy, his country, the Rugby guys he mentored, and many a party he and Darlene hosted! Friends will share and Darlene will share (and hold her private memories in her heart). All knew Reed as a man of strong morals, ethics, and his broad smile. Best thing to say is: Reed was a true gentleman and friend.

Bob / Bev DeVille - December 24, 2015 at 06:51 PM