



Rolf O. Pfister

May 30, 1935 - February 18, 2024

Rolf O. Pfister 88, of Fort Myers, FL, died on February 18, 2024, at Joanne's House at Hope Hospice after a recent illness. Rolf was born on May 30, 1935, in Bern, Switzerland, the only son of the late Otto and Frieda (Broennimann) Pfister. He had been a resident of Estero and Fort Myers since 2000.

After graduating high school, Rolf served his apprenticeship in Bern. He moved to the United States in 1962 to begin his career with the Haag-Streit Ophthalmic Instrument Company as a service technician. He traveled all over the United States repairing and installing ophthalmic equipment at eye clinics and doctors' offices. In 1967 Haag-Streit opened its own office in the USA in Montvale, NJ, where Rolf became its manager. In 1997 they moved the company to Cincinnati, OH, and Rolf retired in 2000, after 40 years with the company.

He is survived by his loving wife of 58 years, Ruth Pfister of Fort Myers, FL, one daughter, Helen Ruth Pfister and her husband Matthew Corpuel of Manhattan, NY, one son Victor Rolf Pfister and his wife Joan (Barrett) Pfister of West Nyack, NY, and three grandchildren Mark Pfister, Robert Pfister and Kristin Pfister.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his two sisters, Alice Pfister and Nelly Siegenthaler.

A memorial service will be held privately by the family and at a date to be determined.

In lieu of flowers please consider a donation to Guiding Eyes for the Blind, www.guidingeyes.org

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 Family Owned and Operated Since 1978.

Tribute Wall

CM

“ Rolf was one of our most memorable Pelican Sound friends and neighbors. He was a genuine member of the "greatest generation". He had a quick wit and a smile that made you feel he was about to say something funny that could be taken any number of ways. Always a gentleman, always an interesting story or opinion and always enjoyable to be in his company. You were a charter member of Pelican Sound my friend and you will be remembered fondly by many.

Carol and Bill Mayer - March 09, 2024 at 10:36 PM

CS

“ On Behalf of the Haag Streit USA, we would like to extend our condolences on the passing of Rolf Pfister. Rolf was the first employee of Haag-Streit USA and under his leadership established our US operation. Rolf's contributions and legacy in the field of medical equipment and healthcare have undoubtedly left a lasting impact. May his memory be a source of comfort and inspiration to those who knew him. The entire Haag-Streit community mourns the loss of this visionary leader.

Christine Schnur - March 04, 2024 at 02:12 PM

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Christine Schnur - March 04, 2024 at 02:08 PM

RM

“ We offer our heartfelt condolences to the family. It was an honour to know Rolf and spend time with him and his wife whenever we were in Florida. We will miss you. Carmen & Robert from Switzerland



Robert Majcen - March 03, 2024 at 05:42 AM

TF

“ The Szonyi Family purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Rolf O. Pfister.



The Szonyi Family - March 02, 2024 at 09:41 PM

PC

“ Dear Ruth and family,
Greg and I send our condolences to you on Rolf's passing. I will always remember the sparkle in his eyes, so full of life and his fun spirit. I loved his recall of how you met in the dance hall and the joy he felt from the life you started together. You were lucky to have 58 years together- a great match and pleasant memories made over the past 5 decades. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Love,
Patty and Greg Craig

Patty Craig - March 01, 2024 at 09:12 PM

PK

“ We always enjoyed Rolf on the tennis court, golf course, or wherever we happened to meet, and we will surely miss him now.
Peter and Karen Koch-Weser

peter and karen koch-weser - March 01, 2024 at 08:24 PM

PF

“ Rolf will be remembered with so much love, always the feisty and funny guy I worked beside for years. Condolences to his lovely wife Ruth.
*Sincerely,
Peggy Fieger*

Peggy Fieger - March 01, 2024 at 11:40 AM