



Ronald H. Knope

October 28, 1932 - October 20, 2019

Ronald H. Knope, 86, of Estero, FL passed away Sunday, October 20, 2019 at Joanne's House at Hope Hospice. Formerly of Smithtown, NY he had been a resident of Estero since 2003. Ron was born October 28, 1932 in Detroit, MI a son of the late Elmer and Birdie (Wise) Knope.

Mr. Knope served in the United State Air Force for eight years.

His career was spent working for the FAA as an Air Traffic Controller for over 20 years. He was an avid card player who also enjoyed golfing, playing bocce and socializing with family and friends.

Survivors include his beloved wife of 62 years, Sheila F. (Mansell) Knope; loving children, Deborah (Anthony) Raffanello of Estero, FL, Gregory R. Knope of Naples, FL, Neil (Jolene) Knope of Farmingdale, NY; sister, Elaine (Ronald) Duemler of Grand Rapids, MI; and cherished grandchildren, Anthony, Kiersten, Gregory, Michelle and Zander.

A memorial service will be celebrated on Friday, October 25, 2019 at 2:00 PM at Our Lady of Light Catholic Community, 19680 Cypress View Drive, Fort Myers, FL 33967.

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

Previous Events

Memorial Service

OCT **25**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Our Lady of Light Catholic Community
19680 Cypress View Dr
Fort Myers, FL 33967-6201
(239) 267-7088

Tribute Wall



“ *Ronald H. Knope*

October 09, 2023 at 03:40 AM



“ *Ron was the last of my 3 brothers and being the only sister am the last of my siblings. Ron was always a special brother always looking after me. He loved life and playing poker with his friends and just enjoying each day. It was sad to see him aging, but he never complained. I never heard him say a bad word about anyone. He will be sorely missed even though we live miles apart.*

Elaine Knope Duemler - October 26, 2019 at 09:14 AM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Ronald H. Knope.*



October 24, 2019 at 12:04 PM



“ *Ron was the father-in-law I always wanted. I count myself lucky when I married his son Neil and became a part of his family. Ron was a kind and fun loving man, who welcomed me with open arms. I will always cherish my fond memories of this wonderful man, father, and grandfather.*

*All my love Dad!
Jolene*

Jolene Knope - October 24, 2019 at 12:17 AM