



Roger Dean Kwekel peacefully passed away at the age of 76 on February 8, 2022, at his winter home in Florida. He was born June 14th, 1945, in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Roger was raised in a loving home by his mother and father Faye Etta and Calvin Howard alongside his 8 siblings. He says it was in those years he learned the value of family. Roger served in the US Army as a Specialist 4. He retired from the Kent County Sheriff's Department as a Master plumber after 28 1/2 years. He spent his retirement as well as most only dream.

Roger set an example of a life well-lived. He had a passion for horses since his youth and grew to become a true Cowboy. He was an avid fisherman, hunter, poker player, motorcyclist, and a jack of all trades who was always ready for his next adventure. Throughout his life, he became a brother of the Masons, Shriners, Eagles, Elk, and Moose fraternities.

Roger is lovingly remembered as a family man by his children: Scott Forgar, Shannon Bramble, and Sharmin Lawrence, and grandchildren: Alyssa

Forgar, Blake Forgar, Brooke Forgar, Curtis Bramble, Casey Bramble, Sydney Lawrence, Cameron Bramble, and Tanner Lawrence. In addition, he leaves behind 4 of his 5 Great-grandchildren: Mckinlee Adams, Bryson Adams, Harper Adams, and Evelyn Forgar.

All who met Roger were impacted by his kindness, work ethic, and generosity. He held many names, among them: Father, Son, Brother, Uncle, Grandpa, and Friend. He is a legend and will continue to live on by the stories we will tell. He spoke about death throughout his life and never feared it. His wish was for people not to mourn his death, but to celebrate the life he lived and reminisce on the memories they shared together. Reminding us, to live our lives to the fullest.

Roger's Celebration of Life will take place on February the 19th, 2022 at Brown Funeral Home and Crematory in Lecanto, Florida from 11 AM - 12 PM with a viewing earlier that day from 10 AM - 11 AM. Roger will be laid to rest with his parents, Faye Etta and Calvin Howard in the Bushnell National Cemetery in Bushnell, Florida. For those of you who are not able to attend the celebration in person; join us by watching the live stream at the link provided.

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There will be a Celebration of Life in Michigan, details will be announced at a future date. If you have any pictures or stories that you would like to share with the family for his celebration, please send them to kwekelr@gmail.com.

The greatest gift to honor him is to join us in raising a glass to Roger's legacy and a life well-lived.

“Remember me with laughter.” - RDK