

Fred W. Busche, age 90, of Beverly Hills, FL passed away peacefully on February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024, in the arms of his wife, leaving her with one last smile on his face, at the Vitas Hospice Center in Lecanto, FL. Fred was born on March 29, 1933, in Uelzen, Germany to Friedrich and Eleonore (Wolf) Busche.

Fred was a world traveler. His career began in 1958 as a records and statistics specialist for the U.S. Army in Wiesbaden, Germany, after which he was transferred by said Army to Istanbul, Turkey for two years. He moved home to Germany for a short time, then in 1962, he emigrated via the S.S. United States to the U.S, settling in California.

Having heard that a special sweetheart from Germany was living in New York, they got in touch, and soon after, she got on a bus headed to California to visit him. They were soon married and settled in Las Angeles.

In 1967, two years after his son, Norman, was born, he packed up his family and took the 15-hour flight to Guam in the Mariana Islands, taking a position as comptroller for a large hotel chain where he handled the hotel's finances both on Guam and a monthly flight to the hotel in Saipan. In 1969, his daughter, Mariana, was born on the island. He loved the beach and snorkeling on the reef surrounding the Mariana Trench.

After living on the island for three years, Fred and his wife were ready to go back to the mainland via an Ambassador Flight around the world. So, he packed up his family, and they traveled around the world, eventually settling back in California and in 1972, making a home in North Miami Beach, Florida for 34 years before retiring for the remainder of his life in Citrus County, Florida.

Fred was preceded in death by his five siblings: Gisela, Irmgard, Eleonore, Ilse, and his only brother, Gerhard.

Fred is survived by his wife, Marion U. Busche; two children, Mariana (Busche) Convery and Norman Busche; three grandchildren, Bryan Convery, Megan Convery, and Heather Convery who will miss him dearly.

Private cremation will take place under the direction of Brown Funeral Home and Crematory in Lecanto, FL. A private celebration of life service will be held at a later date.

