



Paul Francis Kelleher

June 2, 1926 - June 28, 2012

Latham-Paul Francis Kelleher of Kingsway Arms, Schenectady, NY and Leesburg, FL passed away Thursday, June 28, 2012 at 86 after a long illness. Paul was born on June 2, 1926 in Albany, NY to Cornelius Kelleher and Alice Linquist Kelleher. He was also predeceased by his brother Brigadier General Gerald Kelleher and three sisters, Elizabeth Snyder, Virginia Hallock and Jeanne Kelleher. He is survived by his wife of 65 years Mary Therese Gleason Kelleher whom he loved and adored every day of his life "Because." He was the loving father of Paul J. Kelleher and his wife Lori and Deborah Kelleher Grasso and her husband Larry. Grandpa Kelleher also leaves behind his "Lil darlings," Jamie (Bruce) Kruppenbacher, Meaghan Kelleher and Kevin Kelleher, Meaghan Kraft and Molly Mulligan and is great Grandpa to Cody Kruppenbacher and Bryson Kelleher. He is also survived by his nephews Harold Snyder, Donald Hallock and Richard Hallock, his nieces Geraldine McMullen, Betsy Clark and his god-son Garry Snyder (deceased).

Paul was a graduate of Christian Brothers Academy and Utica College, Utica, NY. Dad wore many hats and had many successes in his career life. As a young man he worked for R.T. French Co moving the family away from the Albany area for many years, then he brought us back and owned and operated United Rental, a family owned business in Latham for many years. He retired from the New York State Division of Military and Naval Affairs as Superintendent of the New Scotland Avenue Armory as the military was

always in his blood. He served his Country in the US. Air Corps during WW II and later joined the New York State National Guard from which he retired as a Lieutenant Colonel after 35 proud years of service. Dad loved aviation and piloted several small planes. He was an avid dancer having belonged to Latham Circle Squares for many years of square dancing, round dancing and later learning how to Country line dance. But there was never any doubt that Mom was always his favorite dance partner. Prior to moving back home, mom and Dad spent the last 26 years living in Leesburg, Florida at Lake Griffin Harbor with friends they always referred to as their second family. His favorite place in the world and the place he felt most peace, however, was his beloved Schroon Lake. He was also an avid fisherman, fishing Schroon Lake since his boyhood, the many lakes of Lake County, Florida and the wildernesses of Canada. Dad's love for his wife and family, his open and generous heart, fun-loving nature and quest for adventure will be just a few of the many things we will all remember.

The family would like to extend thanks to everyone who has reached out to Dad during his illness, friends and family alike, and a special thanks to the caring staff at both Kingsway Manor and Kingsway Arms for all their help and support during Dad's illness.

Funeral services Monday, July 2, 2012 at 9:15 am from McVeigh Funeral Home, 208 North Allen Street, Albany thence to Our Lady of the Assumption Church, Latham at 10:00 am where a Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated.

Relatives and friends are invited and may call Sunday, 4:00 to 7:00 pm in the funeral home.

Interment will be later in the week at Gerald BH Solomon Saratoga National Cemetery.

To leave the family a special message on their guest book, obtain a prayer card or directions, or view other helpful services, please visit www.McveighFuneralHome.com

Previous Events

Service

JUL 2. 10:00 AM (ET)

Our Lady of the Assumption Church
498 Watervliet-Shaker Road
Latham, NY

Tribute Wall



“ *Paul Francis Kelleher*

October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ *Mary and Family,
So very sorry to hear of Paul's passing. He was a "special man" and
will always remain as a friend from LGH.
I loved hearing his "booming" voice and line dancing with him.
I will keep him and you in my prayers.
Fondly,
Pat###imported-begin##Pat Wurster###imported-end##*

July 08, 2012 at 11:58 AM



“ *Dear Aunt Mary, Debbie, and Paul, I am sorry to hear of Uncle
Paul's passing. I hope you bring each other comfort and your
memories bring you peace. Yours, Kathy###imported-
begin##Kathleen Kelleher-Assael###imported-end##*

July 03, 2012 at 10:59 AM



“ *Mary & Family: So sorry to hear of Paul's passing. Our deepest
sympathy. You are in our prayers. He will be sadly missed.
Will always hear Paul saying " Push your chairs in".
Ed & Pat Kerr###imported-begin##Ed & Pat Kerr###imported-end##*

July 02, 2012 at 04:50 PM



“ Hi Mary and Family
Lt. Col Kelleher (Paulie as I called him
was a very good friend of mine. When he was in business in Latham,
I rented all my tools from him to build my home. He was also
responsible for getting my wife Diane and I into square dancing and
joining the Latham Circle Squares.
Paul was also my boss when I worked at the Guilderland Rifle
Range for many years.
I also kept the higher ups at DM&NA off his back by guideing him
in the right direction in his Superintendents
job. He would always confide in me and ask for my opinion on
various matters regarding the Armory. I will be coming to his wake
today to wish him a fond fare well. Later###imported-begin###Neil
Kennedy###imported-end###

July 01, 2012 at 01:14 PM



“ Paul was one of a kind, a true gentleman in every sense of the
word, with a wicked sense of humor and a really contagious laugh.
We will continue to miss him at Lake Griffin Harbor. Our sincere
sympathy to Mary and the family. May God give him the reward he
has so truly earned.###imported-begin###Jack & Mary Lou
Trombly###imported-end###

July 01, 2012 at 11:32 AM



“ Our deepest condolences to Mary and family. Paul was one of our
dearest friends and he will be missed in LGH.###imported-
begin###Marilyn & Don Sullivan###imported-end###

June 30, 2012 at 10:00 PM



“ Mary & family, we were so sorry to hear of Paul's passing. Please know we will miss seeing his smiling face around our park here in FL. He will be remembered.##imported-begin##Charley & Margaret White##imported-end##

June 30, 2012 at 02:23 PM



“ We knew Paul from LGH and line dancing and the pancake breakfast. He always make us laugh at all functions and his green hair at the St. Patrick's Dance. Of course his infamous "push your chairs back" he would say with his "military style command voice" at all functions. He and Mary will missed very much at LGH by all who knew them.##imported-begin##Julie and Dick Vice##imported-end##

June 30, 2012 at 11:42 AM



“ Mary & Family:
Our condolences go out to you and family.
Paul was a fun and great guy to be to associated with. Whether he was at parties, coffee & donuts, pancake breakfasts or line dancing he always made us laugh.
May he Rest in Peace##imported-begin##Harlie & Sheryle White (LGH)##imported-end##

June 30, 2012 at 10:37 AM



“ We will miss you Paul##imported-begin##Jack & Sandra Chapman##imported-end##

June 30, 2012 at 08:10 AM