



Raymond Earl Knudson

May 20, 1938 - March 5, 2018

Obituary

Raymond Earl Knudson was born in Madison, WI, on May 20, 1938. He passed away due to Parkinson's Disease on March 5, 2018 at Agrace Hospice in Janesville, WI.

Raymond attended Mendota Grade School (near Lake Mendota) when it was a one room country school from grades 1-8. He graduated from Wisconsin High School at the UW-Campus in 1956, Ball State University in 1960, and received his Master's at UW-Stout. He taught journalism and was publications director for over 30 years at Highland Park/Deerfield, IL.

Ray loved skiing in mountains like Aspen and showing champion English Bulldogs. He was the editor of the national Bulldogger Magazine for over 20 years, and remained active in show dog circles until his passing. He resided in rural Kenosha for decades. His ashes will be interred next to his parents, Earl and Luella (Riemer) Knudson in Greenwood Cemetery, Brodhead, WI.

Ray is survived by his sisters, Janice (Fred) Redford, Cambridge; Joy Heart, Spokane, WA; nieces, Monica (Jeff) Gerner, Ft. Atkinson, WI; Kirsten Nell, Spokane; a nephew, Randy (Dawn) Redford, Cambridge, WI. He was preceded in death by his parents, grandparents, Allic and Effie (Condon) Knudson, Charles and Dottie (Stamm) Riemer, all of Brodhead, and his best

friend, Carl Emanuel Foerster.

The family wishes to thank the staff of Agrace Hospice and Huntington Place in Janesville and Amanda and the staff at the Edgerton Hospital. Donations may be given to the Midwest Environmental Advocates (Save Brodhead Fund), 612 W. Main St., Suite 302, Madison, WI 53703

To send flowers to the family or plant a tree in memory of Raymond Earl Knudson, please visit our floral store.

Tribute Wall

LY

“ Ray you Carl where great neighbors and friends. You both will truly and sadly missed. God bless you both.

Lynn - April 25, 2018 at 07:40 PM

PM

“ When I first came to Deerfield High School (IL) Ray was very welcoming, helpful and patient to this "newbie" as I learned about the culture of the school, and especially the dynamics of navigating the the Freshman Advisory Program with our students. As I came to know Ray better, my impression was that he was hard working, a team player, and committed to excellence in service to students, colleagues, the school, and to District 113. I missed his colorful presence when he retired. The news of his departure from our midst is certainly sad, but I suspect that Ray is "up there" helping to organize a Freshman Advisory Program to benefit all newcomers to that heavenly place. I am grateful to have had the privilege to know Ray on part of life's journey.

Patrick Moorhead - April 24, 2018 at 02:45 PM

JR

“ One of the best teachers Deerfield High School has ever had. Well respected by fellow staff members and his students. He will forever be in our hearts.

Joe Russo - April 24, 2018 at 02:03 PM

RW

“ you'll always be well remembered

randy s. wickstrom - March 19, 2018 at 04:39 PM

TR

“ *Rob & Tammy Riemer*

Tammy Riemer - March 14, 2018 at 07:49 PM

SC

“ *Ray was a highly respected member of the dog show community and a dear friend of mine for the past 50 years. It just won't be the same without him.*

Sandra Christenson - March 08, 2018 at 07:56 PM

GC

“ *During our “dog showing “ years we connected with Ray and Karl quite often. Although distantly related (my grandfather, Glen Condon was Ray's Grandmother Effies's brother) we had not had a relationship growing up, but we certainly enjoyed some time together as adults.*

Glenn and Kathy Condon - March 07, 2018 at 08:22 PM

CC

“ *A candle was lit in remembrance*

Charles Sanderlin, Riemer cousin - March 07, 2018 at 07:23 PM

JC

“ *Jane Copus , a Riemer cousin*

Jane Copus - March 07, 2018 at 11:42 AM