



Walter K. Champlin

January 18, 1953 - March 18, 2015

Walter K. Champlin, age 62, of Columbus, OH, died Wednesday, March 18, 2015 at home. Born in Providence, RI to the late Leona and Walter Champlin, Walt was a graduate of East Providence High School, Class of 1971. He was a veteran of the United States Air Force serving in Vietnam and as an Intelligence Specialist, attaining the rank of Technical Sergeant. Walt received an Associate's degree from DeVry Institute of Technology. For over 15 years, he was an Accounts Manager with CompuServe (MCI Worldcom). A member of Highlands Presbyterian Church, he was also a proud member of I.P.M.S., the International Plastic Modeling Society, Eddie Rickenbacker Chapter. In addition to his parents, Walt is preceded in death by his sister, Sandra Champlin. He is survived by his beloved wife of 40 years, Mary E. Champlin; his son Walter Kenneth (fiancé, Alexandra Johnson) Champlin, of Grand Forks, ND; and many, many good friends. Family will welcome friends from 3:00-5:00p.m. SUNDAY, MARCH 22, 2015 at the RUTHERFORD FUNERAL HOME AT POWELL, 450 West Olentangy Street, Powell, OH 43065 (614)-792-1471, where Military Honors will be rendered by the United States Air Force Honor Team at 5:00p.m. (The funeral home is located on W. Olentangy St./Powell Rd./SR 750 ¼ mile east of Sawmill Parkway.) Private funeral services and burial will be observed by Walt's family. If they choose, friends may make memorial contributions to a charity of their choosing in Walt's memory. Please visit www.rutherfordfuneralhomes.com to send condolences to the Champlin Family.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR **22**. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Rutherford Funeral Home at Powell
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Tribute Wall



“ *Rutherford Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Walter K. Champlin*



Rutherford Funeral Homes - March 20, 2015 at 03:48 PM



“ *Walter K. Champlin*

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



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Rutherford Funeral Homes - March 20, 2015 at 10:10 AM



“ *Walt will be sorely missed. Your friendship and generosity was greatly appreciated and will always be a cherished memory. I hope that Mary and Walt Jr can take some solitude in knowing that Walt was an inspiration to us all. He was a great asset to our modeling community and will leave a void that can not be filled. Rest in peace my friend.*

Your friend, Mark Maroscher

Mark Maroscher - March 19, 2015 at 07:38 PM



“ *Walt, thank you so much for your friendship. I will miss you very much. My thoughts and prayers for Mary and Walt Jr. are that they have strength and peace through this time of loss. Whether in the basement or far away, you are always inspirational to me as my mentor in the hobby as well as the truest of friends. Most of all, I will miss the camaraderie, hospitality, and aviation experiences that you shared with me. I will always remember them. I will always think of you when one is on the deck or just out of the box. Fare well my friend,*

Mark DelRaso

Mark DelRaso - March 19, 2015 at 05:47 PM

JM

“Walt, you were the first person to reach out to me and take me in as a friend when I moved to this town 15 years ago. I don't think a month has gone by in all that time that we've not gotten together at least bi-weekly. Thanks for your friendship and mentor ship through these years. Whether working in the basement, watching movies, or swapping old war stories, I enjoyed every minute. I'm going to miss you my friend. My thoughts and prayers are for Mary and Walt Jr. My hope is for strength and faith through this tough time of loss.

Your friend, Jeff Moore

jeff moore - March 19, 2015 at 03:13 PM

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“God Bless/RIP, to ALL who served. Thank YOU for your service in Vietnam, Walt..... And Semper Fi.



Herb Guyer-Sharfenaker USMC - March 19, 2015 at 07:41 AM

BP

“Walt, I will miss you dearly. You were an inspiration to me as a modeler and as a good friend. You and your family are always in our thoughts and prayers through the good times and bad that I knew you. The greatest moments were being able to share with you my work and converse with you about anything and everything model wise and aircraft wise. I appreciated the hospitality you show me and your view of paying it forward. I am glad for being there for you when you needed me. I will miss you good friend.

Ben Pluth - March 18, 2015 at 09:03 PM