



Constantine "Denos" Demopoulos

September 22, 1932 - August 17, 2019

Constantine G. "Denos" Demopoulos

Family and friends are mourning the passing of Constantine George (Denos) Demopoulos on August 17, 2019.

Denos was born on September 22, 1932 in Leriza-Nemea, Corinth Greece. As a child, he and his family endured and survived World War II in Greece. He graduated from Marazillus Academy with teaching degrees in Math, Chemistry and Physics and taught school in Northern Greece. He served as a Lieutenant in the Greek Army and traveled across Europe with NATO seeking justice after World War II as an intelligence agent.

He emigrated to the United States in the late 50's to pursue his passion for psychology and his life's work of helping others. When he arrived in the United States, he learned to speak English at the English Language Institute, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan so that he could later attend Concord College. He would joke that he emigrated from Athens (Greece) to Athens (West Virginia). After Concord, he attended Bluefield College, Marshall University and University of Southern Mississippi.

Denos was employed at Bluefield Mental Health as a Clinical Psychologist for 45 years, and he especially loved helping coal miners and veterans. Denos also enjoyed his work at Southern Highlands and Mercer County Health Department. He was a member of the first licensing board of psychologists in West Virginia and continued this love through successive appointments by several governors over many years.

Denos was a proud American, who never missed voting in an election. He was awarded the Americanism Medal by the John Chapman Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, one of the most prestigious honors conveyed by the DAR in recognition of extraordinary qualities of leadership, trustworthiness, service and patriotism.

He deeply loved the Bluefield Rotary and his Rotary buddies and was a member for over five decades. During that time, he was inducted as a Paul Harris Fellow in 1993, and voted Rotarian of the Year in 2014. He also was a member of the Century Club.

Denos was an accomplished gardener and loved cooking for family and friends. His annual "Road Kill" barbeques were eagerly anticipated each year. An avid NCAA basketball fan, Denos' passionate (and unapologetic) devotion to the Duke Blue Devils was widely known.

A kind, compassionate, and gentle soul with a ready smile, Denos was a mentor to many, a second father to others, and a devoted husband, father, brother, grandfather, and friend.

Denos was preceded in death by his parents, George and Vasiliki Demopoulos, and his daughter Diana Sue as well as his sister, Giannoula Ligka and brother-in-law, Panagiotis Kanolis. He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Carolyn, his daughter Mary Campbell (Andrew) of Brentwood, Tennessee, his daughter Margaret Welliver (Tom) of Westminster, Maryland, and four grandchildren Caroline Campbell, James Campbell, Daniel Welliver, and Diana Welliver. He is survived by two sisters, Assimina Kanolis and Ageliki (Panagiotis) Spiliotis of Kiato, Greece as well as many beloved nieces, nephews and cousins in Greece and Australia.

Funeral services will be Thursday, August 22, 2019 at 2 pm at the Mercer Funeral Home Chapel with Craig Hammond officiating. The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 12 – 2 pm. There will be a private burial following the service. Family and friends will serve the Demopoulos family as pall bearers.

In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to the Rotary Foundation

at www.rotary.org or The Rotary Foundation, 14280 Collections Center Dr., Chicago, IL 60693 or to the Bluefield Union Mission, 2203 Bluefield Ave, Bluefield, WV 24701.

Cemetery Details

Monte Vista Park Cemetery

Bluefield, WV 24701

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **22**. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Mercer Funeral Home Chapel
1231 West Cumberland Road
Bluefield, WV 24701

Funeral Service

AUG **22**. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Constantine "Denos" Demopoulos*

October 05, 2023 at 06:08 PM



“ *Mary, so sorry to hear about your dad. My deepest sympathy to you and your family. You are all in our prayers!*

Mary Ann Barcinas (Lijoi)

mart ann barcinas - August 22, 2019 at 02:23 PM



“ *I'll always remember when I told Denos that Todd was graduating from college and we would feel like we were getting a raise. He turned around quickly in his pew and said two words, "Wanna Bet?" So sorry for your lose. with love, Chip & Georgann Simmons*

Chip & Georgann Simmons - August 21, 2019 at 05:11 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Constantine "Denos" Demopoulos.*



August 21, 2019 at 03:35 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* was purchased for the family of Constantine "Denos" Demopoulos.



August 21, 2019 at 03:27 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of Constantine "Denos" Demopoulos.



August 21, 2019 at 03:16 PM



“ *With love, Dave, Missie, Emily & Caroline Wilcox* purchased the *Pretty Please* for the family of Constantine "Denos" Demopoulos.



With love, Dave, Missie, Emily & Caroline Wilcox - August 21, 2019 at 02:22 PM



“ *Arrive in Style* was purchased for the family of Constantine "Denos" Demopoulos.



August 21, 2019 at 01:55 PM

PS

“ *Panagiotis and Ageliki Spiliotis purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Constantine "Denos" Demopoulos.*



Panagiotis and Ageliki Spiliotis - August 21, 2019 at 12:40 PM

CM

“ *Carolyn and family,*

Sending you my deepest condolences. All of the years that I was a Bluefield Rotarian, I very much enjoyed Denos. He welcomed me from the beginning and always made me feel good. Whenever I have seen him since transferring to Princeton, he always wanted to know when I was coming back to Bluefield.

*Wishing the best for you all,
Carol McClaugherty*

Carol McCLaugherty - August 20, 2019 at 06:49 PM

CF

“ *Chinskey, Hopkins, and Ruby Families purchased the Pretty Please for the family of Constantine "Denos" Demopoulos.*



Chinskey, Hopkins, and Ruby Families - August 20, 2019 at 04:07 PM

MB

“ *Mark and Christina Bolter purchased the Sweet Sincerity for the family of Constantine "Denos" Demopoulos.*



Mark and Christina Bolter - August 19, 2019 at 09:52 PM

RV

“ *Raymond And Virginia purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Constantine "Denos" Demopoulos.*



Raymond And Virginia - August 19, 2019 at 09:36 PM

CC

“ *Constantine C. purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Constantine "Denos" Demopoulos.*



Constantine C. - August 19, 2019 at 06:24 PM

KT

“ *Kristin, Kathy, Katherine & Tricia purchased the Pretty Please for the family of Constantine "Denos" Demopoulos.*



Kristin, Kathy, Katherine & Tricia - August 19, 2019 at 01:13 PM



“ *Arrive in Style* was purchased for the family of Constantine "Denos" Demopoulos.



August 19, 2019 at 12:10 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Constantine "Denos" Demopoulos.



August 19, 2019 at 11:00 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Constantine "Denos" Demopoulos.



August 19, 2019 at 10:36 AM