



Kenneth Mulder

May 27, 1945 - April 26, 2011

Kenneth Lewis Mulder, age 65, Auburn, died April 24, 2011, surrounded by family at Stormont Vail Hospital. The son of John and Mary Callahan Mulder, he was born in Poughkeepsie, NY on May 27, 1945 and grew up in Amherst, Ohio. Ken enlisted in the US Navy in 1964, and retired from the service in 1985 at the rank of Chief Petty Officer. While in the Navy, Ken was especially proud of assisting in the recovery of the Gemini-5 and Gemini-8 space capsules, aboard the USS Leonard F. Mason (HIIYA). He honorably served his country in three tours of duty in Vietnam, the second two of which he served in the river patrol forces. After retiring from the military he went to work for a civilian defense contractor, working on the Trident program as an integrated logistics specialist. Later in life he moved from Portsmouth Rhode Island, to Auburn, where he enjoyed living next to his three youngest grandchildren. Ken made many close friends in Auburn and was a member of Auburn Helping Hands, and The Topeka Water Garden Club. He was also a parishioner at Grace Episcopal Cathedral in Topeka. He married his loving wife Nancy Engelhardt Mulder on December 1, 1972. Ken is survived by wife Nancy, son, Kenneth Mulder, Jr and wife Maureen, daughters Cynthia Holle and husband Dan, and Pamela Shaffer and husband Charlie, brother John, nine grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Services will be held at 1:00 p.m. Tuesday April 26, 2011, at Grace Episcopal Cathedral, Topeka. Burial will follow at Auburn Cemetery, Auburn. In lieu of flowers, the family kindly asks that a donation be made to the American Cancer Society.

Tribute Wall



“ *Kenneth Mulder*

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