



HERBERT STEINER

September 18, 1941 - January 13, 2021

It is with profound sorrow that I have to announce the passing of my father, Herbert Steiner yesterday after a short battle with cancer. He died peacefully at home while in Hospice care.

He was an amazing man, and his life was quite a story. He was born in Vienna, Austria and was raised and lived in Salzburg, Austria during World War 2. Because of the bombing of Salzburg, they moved to the summer lake cottage near the small village of Scharfling. War torn Europe was a tough place to grow up, and he lost an Uncle at Stalingrad, who was never found, and another Uncle that was in North Africa that ended up dying of Tuberculosis.

After the war when he was 12, he and his mom, my grandmother Christl, immigrated to America, coming over via ship, and landing at Ellis Island. From there they moved to Morgantown, WV where he went to a public school, even though he spoke only some English. He worked very hard to perfect his English, and was very proud that he could speak German or English without any accent.

His mom was a prominent ballerina in Berlin during the war, and that is how she provided for the 2 of them in America, even opening her own dance studio.

After high school, he went to night school to become a draftsman and worked for companies such as Bethlehem Steel and Carrier Air Conditioner.

He met my mom, Thelma, in Baltimore, Maryland and they were married in

1963. In 1968 he was transferred to Syracuse NY and worked as an engineer for Carrier, and travelled extensively thru the middle east and Africa, and at one point spent some time with the Crown Prince of Saudi Arabia, who gave my dad a stallion because my dad commented how beautiful the horse was. Of course my father could not accept the gift because he could not afford to keep a horse, much less pay to have it shipped to America.

In the mid 70's he left Carrier and went to work in my mom's dad's business New York Tech Supply. My parents moved to Florida in the late 90's, and my wife and I moved there full time 4 years ago.

He had a love for cars, and one of my fondest memories is taking him for a ride in his Porsche back in May while a pandemic was going on and after he had recently been diagnosed with cancer.

Mr. Steiner was an Elder at Crenshaw Congregation of Jehovah Witnesses in Lutz, Florida. He was loved and respected by many, and will be sorely missed, especially by me. Love you dad.

He is survived by his loving wife, Thelma Steiner; son: Anthony Steiner and his wife, Stephanie; granddaughter: KayLee; nephews: Klaus and George, of Austria. He was preceded in death by his half-brother: Wolfgang Steiner.

Memorial services will be held privately in Florida.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his memory to Moffitt Cancer Center, Magnolia Campus, 12902, USF Magnolia Drive, Tampa, FL 33612.

Please share online tributes and memories at www.bagozzitwins.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *HERBERT STEINER*

January 21, 2023 at 02:11 PM



“ *Dave and Laurie brier were so sorry to hear ,toni and steph ,of this sad news. What a nice man , and family. He will be missed by many. He imparted alot of knowledge of the Bible to others.*

Laurie brier - March 18, 2021 at 10:57 PM



“ *We were sorry to hear that Herb had passed away. We remember the Steiner family when we attended Eastwood Kingdom hall in the early 80's! Warm Christian greetings from Brian and Debby Decker*

Deborah A Decker - January 29, 2021 at 08:49 PM

SS

“ Dear Thelma, Tony, and family,
I was sorry to read about Herb's death. The obituary was a beautiful and fitting tribute. I remember as a young teen, when my parents divorced, how Herb and Thelma took me under their wings. They were remarkably kind and understanding. They always made sure I had a ride to Eastwood Kingdom Hall when I needed and shared their home and time with me even though they had very full lives and schedules of their own. One of my favorite memories is when Herb had his pilot's license and had to have so many flying hours to maintain it. One weekend he invited me to go up with the family for one of these flights and actually let me have the controls for a few moments. What a thrill that was. Looking back (as a wife, mother, and grandmother), that time your family shared with me will always have a special place in my heart.
Sharon(Peek)Sommers

Sharon Sommers - January 19, 2021 at 02:27 PM

PA

“ Tony, Steph, KayLee & Thelma:

Sorry to hear the “Sad” word of Herb's passing, always a pleasure waiting and seeing them at Rico's when he rolled into town for his Fried Haddock, he always had a “Great” story to tell, please give your Mom my best.. May he “Rest In Peace”

Patrick Aregano - January 16, 2021 at 11:16 AM

SV

“ Dear Thelma, Tony, Stephanie & Kaylee,

John and I are so saddened to hear of Herb's passing. May the love and memories shared with him bring you some comfort during this most difficult time.

As an employee of NY Tech Supply, Herb always instilled that nothing was more important than family and treated all of us like his own. It was just one of his warm and kind characteristics that shone about him. He would let me share my own story of being an immigrant to this great country and it was with pleasure that he would share his family's story whenever the chance would present itself. He was so proud of his family. He has left an incredible legacy with all of you.

I left the company in 2013 and sadly, I never saw Herb again and it is with a heavy heart to know he is no longer with us. May he rest in peace and may you all stay strong until you meet up again.

God bless you. Thinking of you and sending prayers.

*Love,
John & Sandy Vavonese*

Sandy Vavonese - January 15, 2021 at 01:37 PM