



Fred Kraus

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George Frederic Kraus, known to many as “Fred,” passed away peacefully on January 10, 2025, in Sarasota, Florida. Born in Toledo, Ohio, on July 14, 1951, Fred lived a life full of adventure, warmth, and dedication to his family and passions.

Fred enjoyed a successful career in hospitality management, working at hotels across the country, where he earned a reputation for his professionalism and kindness.

For many years, Fred cherished his time in the Belgrade Lakes region of Maine, where he embraced the natural beauty, serenity, and opportunities for fishing—a lifelong passion that brought him peace and joy. Later in life, he made the move to the Gulf Coast of Florida, where he became well-established in his community. With roots in both Maine and Florida, Fred’s love for the outdoors and connection to nature defined much of his life.

Known for his culinary skills, Fred was an excellent cook who loved preparing meals for friends and family. He had a gift for turning simple ingredients into something extraordinary, and his kitchen was always a place of laughter, love,

and good conversation. Fred also had a passion for travel where he could explore new places and meet new people.

Fred was preceded in death by his beloved parents, George and Marjorie Kraus.

Left to cherish his memory are his three children, Bryan, Chad and his wife Sydney, and Andrew; his sisters, Barbara and Ginny; and his grandchild, Emerson.

Fred's legacy will live on through the love he shared, the memories he created, and the lessons he taught about finding joy in life's simple pleasures—from the stillness of a Maine lake to a family gathering around a home-cooked meal.

In accordance with Fred's wishes, there will be no formal service.

Tribute Wall

RV

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Rene Voisine - May 26, 2025 at 08:26 AM

RV

Fred was a great friend and neighbor. Always ready to fish from Maine to Alaska.

Rene Voisine - May 26, 2025 at 08:28 AM

AK

Rene, this was very nice of you. I hope all is well with you and Nacey. I was relaxing and thought about him and decided to take a look for only the second time. I'm definitely going to miss him.

Andrew

Andrew Kraus - June 09, 2025 at 11:25 PM



“ Laurie Busch lit a candle in memory of Fred Kraus



Laurie Busch - January 23, 2025 at 06:43 PM



Your dad was a great man. The last time I was with him was when we went on the cruise....We had a great time!! I know you three guys remember that. I loved your dads humor! Always joking around. He was a great cook and a very kind man. He will be greatly missed!! But we will see him again in heaven!!

Laurie Busch - January 23, 2025 at 06:50 PM

PG

Have known and enjoyed your Dad friendship for quite a number of years Would be hard to find a better friend. Couldn't understand why I couldn't reach him when he returned from Panama. Now I know. So sad. Have lost a good friend. My deepest condolences to the family

Phillip Grant - February 02, 2025 at 05:35 PM

AK

Mr. Grant. This is Andrew. I'm the youngest of the 3. Thanks for the kind words. It was a shock to us all. He always spoke very highly of you. I'm going to miss his cooking, the fishing trips, dry sense of humor. And so much more. Towards the end I hadn't spoken to him in over two months. So I called him In November and basically said everything I would have wanted to say to him if I knew he was going to pass. So that is such a blessing.

Andrew Kraus - February 04, 2025 at 06:29 PM

AK

Thanks Aunt Laurie

Andrew Kraus - February 04, 2025 at 06:31 PM