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D Bernie Downes, 90, passed away March 23, 2023 at his home in Cape Coral, FL. Bernie was married to Janet Downes for 69 years before her passing in March 2022. Bernie was born on June 4, 1932 to Frank and Evelyn (Weed) Downes in West Penobscot, Maine. He graduated from Clark High School in 1950. Bernie married Janet on August 16, 1952 and started a family. Bernie served in the Army during the Korean Conflict. He was stationed at Fort Bliss, El Paso, TX as a radar technician. After his service, Bernie and Janet returned to Maine where he worked for several companies, Reed & Reed in Woolwich, NCI in Searsport and the Bucksport paper mill before joining Foxboro Instruments where he worked for 30 years. After retiring from Foxboro he worked at Central Maine Power at the Wyman Station as the lead instrumentation technician. His jobs took him to many places around New England as well Egypt. He was a member of the Masons for more than 60 years. After retiring he and Janet moved to Florida in 2012 to enjoy the sunshine. He especially enjoyed wood turning, home improvement projects and boating with the family.

Bernie is predeceased by his father and mother and his brother Charles Downes and his wife Yvonne. He is survived by his daughter Lianne Hansen of Tacoma, Washington, his son Stephen Downes and his wife Janet of Monmouth, Maine, his son David Downes and his wife Erin of Cape Coral, Florida; five grandchildren; Nathaniel Downes and his wife Tiffany, Stephanie Mace and her wife Holly, Ryan Downes and his wife Nicole, Colby Downes and James Downes and his wife Kelsea. He is also survived by five great grandchildren, Gregory Downes, Samuel Spencer, Sophia Spencer, Aiden Downes, and Aaron Downes. Funeral arrangements in Maine have yet to be finalized.



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Linda Johnson posted:

I'm beyond sad that im just finding out your gone but happy your eith your beautiful wife Jan. Heaven gained a great man. I will never forget our laughs together while cutting your hair over all those years. I still have the barber clock you made me for my shop and will cherish it forever 🧑🏻 see you on the other side my dear friend. ❤️

January 26 at 8:06 AM



Alex Mcdade lit a candle in honor of D.

I met Bernie and Janet at the Windsor. He was a devoted husband and family man. To know him was to love him! Once he allowed you into his heart you are there forever! I will miss his friendship and his stories. I light a periwinkle candle in his honor because he was special! He would always say "Janet and I had a strange and beautiful relationship " I was strange and she was beautiful" I will you my friend! I hope your up in heaven having fun with Janet! ((❤️🧑🏻❤️))



March 29 at 6:07 PM



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