



Theodore Cecil Denault

July 21, 1938 - August 30, 2020

Ted Denault, 82, moved on to his heavenly home on August 30, 2020. He is survived by his wife, Lydia, who he adored with all his heart. He called her his “Angel” and he made sure everyone he knew was aware that God had brought her to him. They were happily married for 42 years. He is also survived by his two daughters, Laura & Robin, his son, Daniel, his brother Harry and wife Fran and their son Duane. Last but certainly not least, his “favorite” granddaughter Emma and his “favorite” grandson Cole, who he cherished beyond anyone’s imagination.

Ted was born in Miami, Florida in 1938 where he and his younger brother Harry were raised by their parents, Elizabeth and Theodore. Ted saw that his parents often struggled to make ends meet and was determined to make a life for himself where he would not face the same challenges they did. He was exceptionally bright and set his mind on his academic studies. Upon graduating high school, he was awarded a scholarship to the University of Florida where he studied engineering. With an unwavering work ethic, he went on to earn a degree in computer sciences and enjoyed a long and successful career in this field.

Those who knew Ted can tell you he never met a stranger. He would strike up a conversation with anyone within 10 feet away and he was always armed with a warm smile and some words of wisdom. He truly enjoyed life. Whatever

he did - whether designing computer systems, sailing a boat, cooking Cuban cuisine, growing strawberries, writing poems or building a house from the ground up with his own hands – he did it from the heart. The only thing that made him happier than doing the things he loved was doing them with the people he loved. He just wanted to spend time – together. He saw the joy in simple things and had the gift of helping others see it too when they were with him.

Most of all, Ted was a man of great faith. He was a devout Catholic, who loved God and loved to share his faith. He also was devoted to the Blessed Mother and loved praying the rosary every day with Lydia. Has was active in many ministries in their parish at Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Winter Park, Florida over the years. He was a Eucharistic Minister, a Greeter at Sunday Mass, volunteered with FOCCUS, an organization that meets with engaged couples preparing for marriage, he was active in Christ Renews His Parish retreats, and Cursillo retreats, and he was a member of the Men's Club at the church, meeting for prayer and fellowship, helping to raise funds for various projects, and last but certainly not least, cooking and serving food, including his famous biscuits, on Fridays during Lent.

One would be hard-pressed to find a man to match Ted's integrity and kind spirit. He was a blessing to so many people that he met along his way while here with us and he will be deeply missed by all of us who knew him. Saying good-bye is bitter-sweet. On the one hand, he finally has the peace he so deserves and is resting in the loving arms of Our Saviour. On the other hand, there is an empty place in this world and in the hearts of those left behind because his ever ready smile shared with everyone he met will never shine again on this side, where we now must wait until we see him again.

Ted's family invites you to leave a message of condolence on the Tribute Wall created in his memory.

Visitation is on Friday, September 11, 2020 beginning at 6:00 p.m. at DeGusipe Funeral Home, 9001 N. Orlando Ave., Maitland, FL 32751.

Visitation and Services will be live streamed via the DeGusipe Funeral home Facebook page here: : <https://www.facebook.com/DeGusipeFH/>

There will also be a Funeral Mass on Saturday, September 12, 2020, at 10:00 at Saints Peter & Paul Catholic Church, 5300 Old Howell Branch Road, Winter Park, Florida 32792 followed by a burial service at Queen of Angels Cemetery located at 1901 Queen of the Angels Drive, Winter Park, Florida 32792.

If you would like to make a donation in lieu of flowers please send to The Alzheimer's Association, 225 N. Michigan Ave. Floor 17 Chicago, IL 60601, w www.alz.org.

Previous Events

Facebook Live Streaming

SEP **11.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

DeGusipe Funeral Home & Crematory Maitland Chapel
9001 N. Orlando Ave
Maitland, FL 32751
(407) 695-2273
todd@degusipe.com
<https://www.degusipefuneralhome.com>

Mass of Christian Burial

SEP **12.** 10:00 AM (ET)

Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church
5300 Old Howell Branch Road
Winter Park, FL 32792
(407) 657-6114
<http://www.stspp.net>

Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Lydia, Laura, Robin, Dan, and Sandra. I am very sorry to hear of your loss, as you go through this tough time. Ted was a great and loving "Dad" to such a great and loving family. Prayers for you all.

Fred Trulove - September 11, 2020 at 10:28 AM

HI

“ To Lydia, Laura, Danny, Robin and all Ted's extended family and friends we would like to offer our sincere condolences. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Love, Helen, Jason, Alannah & Gabrielle
Dublin, Ireland xx

Helen Irwin - September 11, 2020 at 06:37 AM

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“ Mark, Janet, Brock, Ashley, Melissa & Alexis purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Theodore Cecil Denault.



Mark, Janet, Brock, Ashley, Melissa & Alexis - September 10, 2020 at 05:57 PM

PS

“ Lydia, my heartfelt sympathy on the loss of your beloved husband. Love and prayers, Peggy Shutt

Peggy Shutt - September 10, 2020 at 03:12 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Theodore Cecil Denault.*



September 09, 2020 at 01:58 PM



“ *Bob and Carol Jackson purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Theodore Cecil Denault.*



Bob and Carol Jackson - September 09, 2020 at 11:47 AM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Theodore Cecil Denault.*



September 08, 2020 at 06:43 PM



“ *Jack and Judy Alspaugh, and Neil Weinert purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Theodore Cecil Denault.*



Jack and Judy Alspaugh, and Neil Weinert - September 08, 2020 at 12:40 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Theodore Cecil Denault.*



September 06, 2020 at 09:38 AM



“ *I met Ted through his wife Lydia. He was a kind and considerate man who deeply loved his family and God. My prayers are with his family through this trying time.*
Lorraine Santy

Lorraine Santy - September 05, 2020 at 09:01 AM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Theodore Cecil Denault.*



September 04, 2020 at 04:54 PM