



Edward Allen Kershner

January 29, 1933 - March 2, 2016

Edward Allen Kershner died peacefully in Joplin, Missouri on March 2, 2016 at the age of 83. Ed was born on January 29, 1933 at Mills Hospital in Towanda, Pa. to William and Breneata Hakes Kershner. When Ed was 4 years old, a tragic event would change his life and his family. In 1937, while on a shopping trip, his mother, aunt, Evalena Hakes McBreen, sister, Charmaine and Ed were involved in an automobile accident on Route 220 near Muncy, Pa when bees entered the vehicle resulting with the operator losing control and all occupants ejected. A State Policeman arriving at the scene found all occupants were killed. While investigating, the trooper heard a whimpering noise and found Ed still alive. The policeman and Ed remained in contact for many years following the accident. Ed's recovery from his injuries endured for close to a year which delayed his enrollment in school.

Ed graduated from Towanda Area High School in 1952 and proudly served in the Army of the United States from 1952 until 1954 in Germany and Korea. Upon completion of his military service and return home to Towanda, he married Leah Jane Willey in 1954. The couple had 3 children, Denise, Kim & Doug. Ed began employment with Sylvania Products in Towanda, then Wrisley & Kerrick in Monroeton, Pa. Ed also owned Kershner Refrigeration & Electrical in Towanda. Ed was instrumental in developing and testing a Flight Trainer for the aviation industry in Endicott, NY.

Ed's additional accomplishments were as a Master Electrician and involvement in the development of high pressure cutting technology for

Ingersoll Rand. His career provided him opportunity to travel to Australia and the former USSR. As an accomplished electrician, Ed's work was credited by others for his exemplary craftsmanship. He took great pride in his work and continued until he was 81. He also enjoyed traveling, reading and joke-telling. Ed made Joplin, Missouri his home with his wife Margie for over 30 years, losing Margie to Alzheimers disease in 2010.

Ed is survived by his children, Denise Bowers and fiancé Dale Esaias of Columbia Cross Roads, Pa. Kim and Keith Long of Towanda, Pa., Douglas Thomas and partner Brewster Moore of Oxford Michigan brothers and sisters-in-law, Allen and Midge Kershner, Eric and Gail B. Kershner, sister-in-law, Gayle Kershner all of Towanda, Pa., numerous grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces and nephews. In addition to his wife, he was preceded in death by his mother, Breneata Hakes Kershner, father, William Kershner, step mother, Irene Ellis Kershner, sisters, Charmaine Kershner, Yvonne Betts, Lucille Buffington, brother, George "Hoppie" Kershner, grandson, Dane Bowers and granddaughter, Resl Kershner.

The family expresses their greatest appreciation to Ted and Ruth Dalton for their friendship, dedication and tremendous assistance to Ed and the family.

A private funeral service will be held at the convenience of the family.

Memories and condolences may be expressed by visiting www.bowenfuneralhomes.com.

Tribute Wall



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“ *Please accept our sincere sympathy. May the love of family and friends surround and comfort you all at this difficult time. VFW Post 1536 Sayre*

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