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Edward Stephen Toperzer passed away peacefully on January 19, 2022, at the age of 90, surrounded by family.

Ed was a native of Homeville, PA, and has been a resident of Florida since 1984, first in Deltona, and most recently residing in Orange City. Ed was a gifted artist and worked as a draftsman throughout his career; he retired from Westinghouse Electric Company in 1983, and finished his drafting career with C&D Technologies in Orlando.

Ed was preceded in death by his parents, Anna (Bell) and Edward C. Toperzer; his sister, Shirley Lutheran; and by his beloved wife of 50 years, Sara Jane Symington Toperzer. He is survived by his younger brothers: Curtis “Buzz” Toperzer (Elizabeth, deceased) and Ron Toperzer (Stephanie).

Ed was a devoted dad to his children: Sally Roddy (Patrick) of Eighty Four, PA; Edward A. Toperzer (Jodi) of Orlando, FL; Linda Gibbs (Jeff) of Orange City, FL. He was also a loving “Pappy Ed” to his grandchildren: Jay Roddy (Katherine); Erin Nyero (Francis); Anna Gibbs; and Cameron Toperzer; and his great-grandchildren: Edward Roddy, Phoebe Roddy, Jasper King, Silas Nyero (2019) and Jane Nyero. He was also a much-beloved ‘Uncle Ed’ to a slew of nieces and nephews, whom he loved very much in return. Ed was also blessed to love and be loved by his girlfriend of the past 5 ½ years, Janie Schiraldi.

When Ed moved to Florida, he discovered a passion for singing at piano bars at the old Sundance Lounge. Sundance also provided the opportunity for Ed and his wife Jane to show off their amazing dancing skills, cheek-to-cheek with pinky finger raised! The Sundance crowd developed into a network of close and long-term friendships that still exist to this day. Ed also had an amazing group of friends who met regularly for breakfast at the local IHOP.

Ed was a firm believer in public service and in giving back to the community. He served in the US Army from 1954 – 1956, and was a commissioner for South Versailles Township in Pennsylvania for 16 years. Upon moving to Florida, he volunteered with the Citizens on Patrol, both in the



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Deltona and Orange City areas, where he received an award for logging more than 5,000 volunteer hours.

Florida family and friends will be received at a mask-required viewing on Monday, January 24th, from 2:00 – 4:00 and 6:00 – 8:00 pm, at Deltona Memorial Funeral Home and Gardens, 1295 Saxon Blvd, Orange City, FL 32763.

Pennsylvania family and friends will be received at a mask-required viewing on Saturday, January 29th, from 11:00 am – 1:30 pm at Jefferson Memorial Funeral Home, 301 Curry Hollow Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15236. Funeral service will begin at 2:00 pm in the funeral home's chapel.

The family is grateful for the compassionate care of the staff at Halifax Health-Hospice-Volusia. We request that, in lieu of flowers, donations be made to this wonderful organization. You can mail your donation in Ed's memory to: 1625 Veterans Memorial Parkway; Orange City, FL 32763. Those who prefer to make a donation online can do so at <https://halifaxhealth.org/services-treatments/our-services/continuingcare/hospice-2/giving/donation-portal/>.

Condolences may be shared at www.jeffersonmemorial.com.



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