



David F. "Bud" Spreng

November 8, 1932 - May 22, 2022

David "Buddy" Spreng, of Deptford New Jersey, passed away peacefully in his home, May 22, 2022. He was the loving son of the late Robert and Anna Spreng. He is pre-deceased by his brother Robert Spreng and sister Margaret (Haubrich). He also lost his granddaughter Danielle at 23 years young. Lillian May (McKegney) his loving wife of over 31 years, left his side in December of 2021, just 6 short months ago. He was a devoted husband. David is survived by 3 loving daughters, Madge (Mike), Donna (Barry) and Barbara (Ed). And seven grandchildren and eight great grandchildren, As well as numerous loving nieces and nephews.

David arrived November of 1932 in Philadelphia PA. Born During the depression, he learned the finer arts of gardening, hunting, crabbing, and fishing. Growing up he enjoyed basketball, model airplanes, and everything to do with the Jersey shore. His summers were spent as a resident of the Villas near Cape May, where he forged lifelong friends.

A few days after his graduation at Southwest Catholic High school in 1951, he began an apprenticeship at the Philadelphia Naval shipyard. He bravely took a break from that post, as he was drafted by the Army in 1953 to fight in the Korean War. He returned to the states in 1955 and married Madge Dunbar in 1957 and began his own family and lived in Lindenwold NJ. He founded the Red Setter Gun Club in the Pennsylvania mountains. Alongside his Father, he was a musical member of Trilby String Band for several years. Bud and his family owned Sprengdale Kennel's during the 60's. He trained, hunted and showed Irish Setters, German Shorthair pointers and Basenji dogs. In the 70's, Bud and his family added "Buds Cycle Center" to the garage of his family's home. He was a mastermind and could fix just about anything!

As time went on, he continued his work at the Philadelphia Naval shipyard after the war and had become a great machinist. He continually educated himself and moved up the ladder to be one of the top supervisory production planners at the Philadelphia Navy Yard. He planned the refurbishment of many vessels and subs like The USS Saratoga, The Independence, Kittyhawk and the Forrestal, just to name a few!

After 35 years on the job and just before his retirement, he met Lillian May. He spent every waking moment having the best life he could with her. They were the sweetest, happiest couple. In these last few years, he spent all his time making sure his wife was safe and cared for, since she had sadly developed Alzheimer's disease. Bud and Lil were inseparable for the rest of their days! They were longtime members of the Deptford Elks club. They were always the life of the party.

Memorial services will begin at 6:30 PM, Friday, June 24th, 2022, at Elk's Lodge #2708, 733 Highland Road, Deptford, NJ 08096, guest arrival is encouraged at 6:00 PM to facilitate prompt start of services. Guests are invited to stay following services to continue a celebration of Dave's Life. Burial will be held privately

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Previous Events

Memorial Service

JUN **24.** 6:30 PM (ET)

Elk's Lodge #2708
733 Highland Road
Deptford, NJ 08096

Tribute Wall



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of David F. "Bud" Spreng.*



June 22 at 04:18 PM

BB

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



bobbi baumann - June 10 at 11:50 AM



“ *Donna Porter lit a candle in memory of David F. "Bud" Spreng*



Donna Porter - June 09 at 06:19 PM

BB

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*

Bobbi Baumann - June 01 at 05:28 PM



Love the look on his face!

Madge Hargan - June 03 at 08:28 AM

BA

“ I thank God for the awesome experience of meeting Bud. We spent a year and four months together in his golden years. Would not trade a day of those memories. His personality was so, that I wish I could have spent my whole life learning and sharing with him. He left a smile and a lesson or two with anybody who met him. He was to best of the. He was the best of his generation and a man's man. Wish I was half the man he was and could only hope to be half the man he was. God Speed. Love.

Barry - May 28 at 09:33 PM



Hey Sport!!! (Dads name for you)
The one man that could calm him. Such a soothing presence Barry had with dad! How blessed we all are that you were here to help us!

Donna Porter - June 03 at 05:06 PM



“ There are too many memories to share. I am certainly grateful for all the life lessons. You taught me to ride a horse, drive a motorcycle, handle a firearm and even fix my own car. I will never forget you being at all my track meets and every 4-H meeting, you were my biggest fan. You always offered to drive us daughters and our friends to the skating rinks, malls, movies and dances. Everyone knew Mr Spreng. I was never daddy's little girl was I?? ... Nope, We always used to joke, I am my father's only son in a house of three daughters. I will see you in my dreams for now! ❤️

Donna Porter - May 27 at 02:49 PM



Sending love and hugs to the whole family. I pray every day for all of you.

Vikki Bautz - June 07 at 07:10 PM



Thank you Vikki! We love ya!

Donna Porter - June 13 at 09:44 PM



Thanks Vikki! ❤️❤️

Madge Hargan - June 22 at 03:09 PM



“ 40 files added to the album Memories Album



Donna Porter - May 27 at 11:28 AM

BB

I will miss my daddy something fierce. The memories are endless and countless. As the baby, I got away with a lot more than the average Jane...I was daddy's little girl... I can't wait to see him again soon right here on this earth in paradise conditions, him being healthy and spunky as ever. Love that man with all my heart!

Bobbi Baumann - June 01 at 05:26 PM

MS

The value of a man can be measured by the lessons he taught, the values he instilled in others, the memories he created and the love and respect still felt by those that met him. by those measures your Father was truly a great man and truly a rich man. He will be sorely missed and impossible to replace but he leaves behind his 3 beautiful daughters that carry on exactly like he was. Madgie, Donna and Bobbie, I'm very sorry for your loss.

Michael

Michael De Santo - June 24 at 06:05 AM