



James Martin Kerkstra

June 27, 1947 - April 7, 2015

James Martin Kerkstra, 67, a resident of Tallahassee, formerly of Chicago, Illinois, passed away April 7, 2015. Born June 27, 1947 in Chicago, he was the son of the late Martin Kerkstra and the late Geraldine VanWie Kerkstra. He honorably served in the US Navy and retired as a Regional Personnel Manager. He was an avid reader, loved collecting custom made pocket knives and enjoyed studying survival techniques. He is survived by his wife of 43 years, Carol Thomas Kerkstra; children, Jami Kerkstra-Ropes (husband, Stephen) and Katie Forgette (husband, Tony); grandson, Jackson Kerkstra-Ropes. He will be inurned at Barrancas National Cemetery at a later date. The online guestbook is at www.abbeyfh.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *We will miss him dearly, for he taught us all.*

David K Krivickas of Crest Hill, IL - May 26, 2015 at 12:00 AM