



Kermit Bott

June 8, 1943 - August 10, 2023

Kermit Bott,

Passed away on August 10, 2023 after a long battle with Alzheimer's disease. He was deeply loved by his wife of 54 years, Terry, his children Leslie (Robert) and Gregg (Shelli), and his grandchildren Hudson, Sienna, and Charles. He lived a very full and rewarding life which will be celebrated and cherished by his close family and friends.

He spent much of his life in Miami, Florida; although some of his fondest memories were of his childhood in Nassau. Kermit always remained a Bahamian at heart. He was a terrific athlete, and a proud graduate of Miami High, the University of Florida, and Houston Optometric School. He was a successful optometrist for over 35 years, spending most of his career in Miami before relocating to Iron Mountain, Michigan, where he worked for the VA Hospital. He was adored and respected by his patients and colleagues.

After retiring he enjoyed traveling, watching sports, and relaxing by the lake up in Gills Rock, Wisconsin. To the end, he was an avid Miami Hurricanes fan, and loved music, dancing, and his blue Jeep. But most of all, he enjoyed time with his family and being a tireless and wildly entertaining grandpa (earning the moniker "Kermit the Entertainer"). He was a wonderful husband, father, grandfather, and friend. He will be sadly missed, but fondly remembered.

Kermit is survived by his brother, Allen (Paloma), and by his aforementioned wife, children and grandchildren. Kermit was pre-deceased by his parents, Rubin and Dorothy, his sister, Cynthia (Bill), and his brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Craig & Beth.

The family suggests that any donations made in his honor be directed to Alzheimer's Association (alz.org).

Funeral services at 10:30 AM Sunday, August 13, 2023, at Congregation Sinai, 8223 N. Port Washington Rd., Fox Point. Interment at 2:30 PM on Monday August 14, 2023 at Little Sister Cemetery, 10544 Pebble Beach Rd, Sister Bay, WI 53234.

For Sunday's service, to join virtually, <https://Sinaimke.livecontrol.tv/dabaeb30>

Cemetery Details

Little Sister Cemetery

10544 Pebble Beach Rd
Sister Bay, WI 54234

Previous Events

Funeral Service

AUG 13. 10:30 AM (CT)

Congregation Sinai
8223 N. Port Washington Rd.
Fox Point, WI 53217

Interment

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Tribute Wall

LB

“ I wanted to offer my belated condolences to Terry, Leslie & Gregg. I had a wonderful childhood in our neighborhood & your family was a big reason why. We were fortunate to have you in our lives w/ fond memories now. I'm sorry for Kermit's passing. May his memory be a blessing.

Leigh Buckner - April 14, 2024 at 05:41 PM



“ Kermit Bott

October 06, 2023 at 01:40 PM

AG

“ Dear Terry, Leslie, and Gregg,
I am so saddened to hear of Kermit's passing. He was a kind man who always had a smile for everyone. I have so many wonderful memories of our times together, having grown up so close with all of you. My condolences to all of you. Sending you all my love and thoughts during this difficult time.

Alison Shevin Glicken - August 14, 2023 at 10:12 AM

JH

“ Terry, my prayers go out to you and your family. May your memories of Kermit be filled with the good times that you had with him.
-Jim Holmes

jim Holmes - August 11, 2023 at 09:16 AM

LT

“ So sorry for your loss, may you find comfort in the wonderful memories!

Linda Trotterchaud
Knoxville, Tn

Linda Trotterchaud - August 10, 2023 at 07:51 PM

AD

“ I remember my Dad's first cousin Kermit always wearing Aqua Velva aftershave, and saying "don't be skylarking" in his Bahamian accent to us kids - our families spent alot of time together when my sister and I, Leslie and Gregg, were growing up, and Cousin Kermit WAS always fun and entertaining!! Kermit was also a good and kind man, and will always be remembered fondly. My deepest condolences to Terry Leslie Gregg and their families. Cousin Adam in Miami.

Adam - August 10, 2023 at 07:36 PM

MG

I'm so sorry for your loss. I have very special memories of Uncle Kermit teaching me how to drive a stick shift on that classic mustang he cherished. I know that alzheimer's is a tough road and extremely hard on the family. I'm so sorry for you loss on both counts.
My best to you-Terry, Greg and Leslie and to your families
Michelle Greenstein

Michelle Greenstein - August 11, 2023 at 12:40 PM

CE

I don't even know where to start with my fond recollections of Kermit. The Holmes' and my family have been dear friends and neighbors for many years. Kermit stands out in my memory as a very kind, soft spoken, FUNNY fellow. On one occasion I remember my mom asking him to go out in the garden and get her some rhubarb. He was gone for awhile and came back proudly carrying "some of those soft branches you use in making pies." I guess rhubarb doesn't grow in the Bahamas or in Miami 😊 It was a pleasure to watch their family grow and both Terry and Kermit bursting with pride as Leslie and Gregg grew up. Although his earthly life is done, his impact will continue here. Blessings to Terry and all family. ❤️

Carole Engels - August 11, 2023 at 07:17 PM

VA

“ Terry, I'm saddened to hear about Kermit. Send prayers for you and your family.
Val and Aldo Parise

valerie - August 10, 2023 at 07:01 PM