



USAF MSgt. (Ret.) Kenneth W. Herge, age 79 of Fairborn passed away

September 23, 2022. He was born December 27, 1942 in Detroit, Michigan, the son of the late Delbert and Arlene (Westrick) Herge.

Ken served his country in the U.S. Air Force and followed with employment in civil service, retiring after over 40 years of combined service. He was a longtime

member of Mary Help of Christian Church; VFW Post 6861, American Legion, and Fraternal Order of the Eagles. He faithfully volunteered at the corn booth or the poker booth at the Mary Help of Christians festival. He enjoyed fishing, bowling, playing cards, and watching sports, especially football. He was a founding member of Fairborn's End Zone Crew.... a group of older friends would meet up for Fairborn home football games and stand near the end zone and cheer on (sometimes heckle) the team. They became such a staple that the Athletic Director bought them all jackets that had End Zone Crew on the back. He also enjoyed his Friday lunches with the fellas at either Tickets or Wendys. In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by a brother, Joseph Herge. Ken is survived by his loving wife, Manee; two children, Mary Herge; Kenneth L. Herge; brother, John (Donna) Herge; sister-in-law, Lung Herge; two nephews, John A. (Lisa) Herge, Lee Herge (Jennifer); niece, Shelly "Tawanda" (Scott) Sprouse; great nephews, Joseph Herge and Cody Sprouse; great nieces Natalie Herge and Emma Herge; sister in law Noogern Brunette; step Granddaughter, Chelsey Robotham, step Grandson Justin Robotham (Megan); great-grandkids, Montavtion Avery; Micah Avery, Makenna Robotham, Matthias Rowe, JT Robotham, and Josie Robotham as well extended family. A funeral service will be held on Friday October 7, 2022 at 6:00 P.M. at the Belton-Stroup Funeral Home, 422 E. Dayton-Yellow Springs Rd., Fairborn, Father Thomas William Herge officiating. The family will receive friends from 5:00 P.M. until the time of service. A graveside service with military honors will be held on Saturday October 8, 2022 at 10:00 A.M. at Fairfield Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Fairborn Athletic Club, 900 E. Dayton-Yellow Springs Rd., Fairborn. The family requests if you are attending the visitation and service to please dress in Ohio State attire or scarlett and grey.