



R. Edward Kaplan

August 19, 1928 - September 12, 2024

R. Edward Kaplan, 96, recently of Asheville, North Carolina and Palm Beach Gardens, Florida, passed away on September 12, 2024, exactly 7 months after the love of his life, Audrey Kaplan, passed away. Edward (known as Kappy to many), was born in McKeesport, Pennsylvania to Evelyn (Steuer) and Sidney Kaplan. Edward spent much of his adult life in Western Pennsylvania where, in addition to raising his two sons, he owned and operated a popular furniture store for over 20 years. In 1985, he and Audrey moved to Florida where he continued to work as a decorator until his retirement in the early 2000s.

Edward and Audrey enjoyed playing golf, bridge, and socializing with their many friends whom they met at Eastpoint Country Club. The two of them were inseparable and truly loved each other. They met on a golf course and celebrated their 72nd wedding anniversary on September 16, 2023.

A few weeks after Audrey passed, Edward's son Kenneth and his wife Ellen, brought him from Florida to an assisted living facility in Asheville, where he lived until his death. Edward was a warm, witty, and compassionate man. He always had a smile for everyone who met him. The staff at Harmony in Asheville, and La Posada in Palm Beach Gardens, loved him.

In addition to Kenneth and Ellen, Edward is survived by his son and daughter-

in-law, Michael Kaplan and Elle Toby, as well as his grandson, Matthew Kaplan (and his wife Amy), granddaughter Laura Kaplan, and granddaughters Raina Schunk and Samantha Kaplan (and her husband Brandon Frumolt). Ed is also survived by his great-grandchildren Cruz, Kane, and Lyla Kaplan as well as Zoey Schunk, Phoebe, and Iris Frumolt. He will also be missed by his niece, Gail Lefkowitz, and nephews, Kelly and David Lefkowitz.

A memorial service for Edward will be held at 1:30 pm on Sunday, September 15, 2024, at Morris Funeral and Cremation Care, 304 Merrimon Avenue, Asheville, North Carolina. The Kaplan family will also welcome friends to their house on Marlborough Rd on Sunday from 7 -9 pm.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you donate in Edward's memory to the Four Seasons Foundation (fourseasonsfdn.org) which supports Four Seasons Hospice and Palliative Care.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

SEP **15**. 1:30 PM (ET)

Morris Funeral & Cremation Care
304 Merrimon Ave.
Asheville, NC 28801
(828) 252-1821
info@morrisfamilycare.com
<http://www.morrisfamilycare.com>

Shiva Service

SEP **15**. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Kaplan Residence
Marlborough Rd
Asheville, NC 28804

Tribute Wall

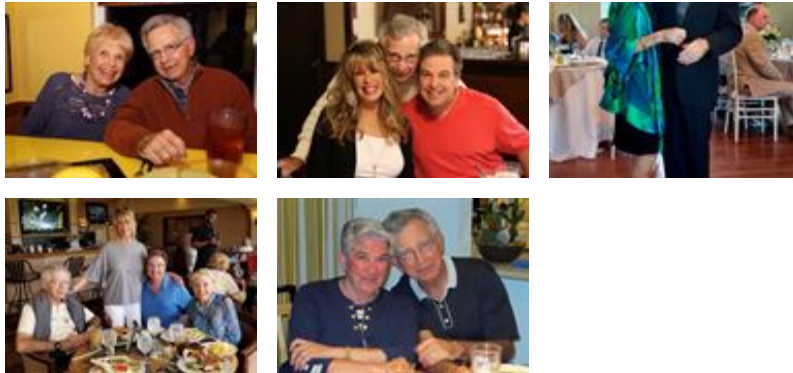
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“ *Ed Kaplan was a wonderful decorator. He orchestrated the decoration and renewal of our new home in 1971, 72. It was and still is beautiful. We purchased our living room furniture from his store in Olympia Shopping Center in McKeesport PA. He was great to work with. Ed was a very nice man.*

Constance Andres - January 06 at 09:07 PM



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Morris Funeral Home - September 15, 2024 at 10:16 AM

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“ *such a honor to take care of Ed! He was my buddy from the first day he moved into Harmony, he will truly be missed. Condolences to his family* ❤️

harley ramsey - September 14, 2024 at 09:29 PM