



Lewis (Lew) G. Benham

April 4, 1941 - October 19, 2019

Lewis (Lew) Benham was born in Detroit, Michigan on April 4, 1941. He would remain in Michigan until his graduation from Rochester High School. Lewis was accepted to the prestigious U.S. Air Force Academy as a cadet majoring in mathematics. He was honored and privileged to be one of the members representing the Academy at the funeral services for the late

President John F. Kennedy. Upon graduation from the Academy in 1965, Lew served as navigator on the B52 bomber planes in the Vietnam War. After his service in the war, Lewis

returned home to attend Harvard Law School in Cambridge, Mass., having graduated in 1976.

Lew's legal career included teaching law as well as practice. It was his teaching career that brought him to Louisville to teach at the University of Louisville. When he ended his teaching career he entered private practice where he remained a great advocate in bankruptcy law

until his retirement in 2005. While after retirement he had been a snowbird spending a great deal of time in Florida he maintained his primary residence in the Louisville Metro area.

Lewis departed this life on Saturday October 19, 2019. Funeral services are private and will be held at the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Expressions of sympathy may be made in Lewis' memory to the U.S. Air Force Academy Endowment Fund,

3116 Academy Dr. Ste. 200, USAF Academy, Co. 80840-0000.

J.B. Ratterman & Sons Funerals and Family Cremation Care, 2114 W. Market St. is in charge of arrangements.

Comments



“ I met Lew in 2008 playing baseball on the same team in Louisville. Being a USNA grad we had a lot in common and a love for the game. He was still one of the toughest and fastest guys on the team at almost 70. He will be missed

Bret Simon - October 29 at 10:09 AM



“ My sweet Lew, so complicated yourself yet so in tune to those you loved. The road I traveled with you and the time we spent together are seldom shared by two people. You showed me a simple way of life, a life I would have never known. How things are not always black or white, right or wrong they are mostly GRAY. Thank you for the journey I hold in my mind. I pray you are flying a plane high in the sky, peace at last in your mind and being good at being bad. Kimberly



Kimberly Deel - October 21 at 05:53 PM



“ Met Lew when I was a little girl. He was so smart and the love of my mother's life, Rest easy Lewis G Benham Attorney at Law

Jeannie Lee - October 21 at 05:05 PM