

159

Dr. Kuhrt Wieneke Jr.



On Friday, October 6, 2017, Dr. Kuhrt Wieneke Jr. passed away suddenly and peacefully at the age of 80.

Kuhrt, known affectionately as Doc, KW, Dad, and Papa, will be greatly missed by all whose lives he touched, but most especially by his wife, Virginia O'Rorke, his five children, and his six grandchildren.

Kuhrt grew up in Pennsylvania and Vermont, where he worked at Camp Wynakee, a summer camp run by his parents in Dorset. Kuhrt attended the Hill School, Williams College, and Cornell Medical School. He served as a Battalion Surgeon in the 82nd Airborne and as a surgeon in the the 10th Special Forces in Germany from 1964 to 1966 . Kuhrt was an orthopedic surgeon in North Adams, MA for 28 years.

Kuhrt's hobbies throughout his life included farming, flying airplanes, Williams College hockey and football, building cars and houses, model trains, traveling, fixing machinery, and skiing. He loved spending summers at Lake Nebo in upstate New York. Most of all, he loved being surrounded by his family, his dogs, relatives, honorary relatives and friends.

He was generous, hard working, and fair. He loved laughter and jokes. Wherever he was, that was the place to be. Kuhrt said often in his last year that it was the best year he had ever had. Every year of his life was his best year, because that is who he was.

SERVICES: A celebration of his life will be held at The 1896 House in Williamstown on Sunday, October 22 at 1 o'clock. All are welcome.

Published in The Berkshire Eagle on Oct. 13, 2017

