



In Loving Memory

Hugh Kear

September 19, 1940-September 26, 2018

Hubert O. Kear, formerly of Wharton, Ohio, late of Longmont, Colorado, died September 26th at Alta Vita Memory Care in Longmont where he had lived for five years. Hubert was born September 19, 1940, to Emery P. and Mary Brandt Kear in Kenton, Ohio. He attended school in Wharton and graduated from Wharton High School in 1958. He attended Heidelberg College and graduated in 1962. He was a member of the Ohio National Guard from 1962-1968. He married his college sweetheart, Anne Diller, on June 16, 1963. They are parents to Jeffrey Hugh (Kathryn Heet), Denver, Colorado, and Andrew Robert (Lori), Perrysburg, Ohio. He has one grandchild, Dillon Benjamin Kear. The family lived in Wharton until 1991. Hubert was a leader in his community where he was president of the Village Bank of Wharton and Dunkirk. He was chief of the Richland Township Volunteer Fire Department for 20 years and a member of Angeline School of Opportunity Board for 8 years and several years as its president. An avid athlete he played basketball in high school and fast pitch softball with Payne Realty team which was runner- up in the state of Ohio in 1975. Later he coached Little League baseball in Wharton. He was preceded in death by his parents, brother Norman and sister Daisy Bennett. He is survived by his wife, sons and grandson, and brother The Reverend Royal Kear of Findlay, Ohio and five nephews. Hubert and Anne moved to Ft. Thomas, Kentucky, in 1991 where Anne was pastor of a church. Hubert worked for Avis in Kentucky. In 2000 they moved to Longmont, Colorado, where Anne was pastor of First Congregational United Church of Christ. Hubert was a member of the choir and served in many other ways. Because he loved children he worked for the St Vrain Valley Schools as bus driver for five years. Hubert will be remembered as a man faithful to his commitments, a gentle person, and a quiet leader who loved to help people. A memorial service will be held on October 13 at 10:30 am at United Church of Christ Longmont. Donations may be made to Crossroad, Fort Wayne Children's Home in lieu of flowers.