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Edward C. Larrivee, 82, Dover businessman, beloved husband, father, grandfather, and friend passed away on January 20, 2025, at his home in Dover, Delaware surrounded by his family.

Born December 6, 1942, he was raised in Tuckahoe, New York, and graduated from Eastchester High School where he met several lifelong friends. After graduation, he attended aeronautical school, and in 1965 enlisted in the United States Army. He was assigned to serve as part of the Nike-Hercules Missile Program. Stationed in Korea during his last year of service, he obtained a black belt in judo, an accomplishment of which he was very proud. While there, he competed as part of the United Nations Judo Team. A proud patriot, Edward served honorably until his discharge in 1968. He was devoted to his country and considered his military service among the most important experiences of his life, providing him with a deep sense of discipline, resilience, and service to others, values he carried with him throughout his life.

Family connections led Edward to relocate from New York to Dover. For over fifty years, Edward served his community as an independent business owner. The furniture stripping business he established in 1973 on South Governor Avenue would become a specialty hardware store in the 1990s. Larrivee Designer Hardware was well known to those restoring antique furniture and historic houses. He had an extensive stock of reproduction hardware and was willing to search for rare items to fulfill customer's needs. His expertise and warm personality always made customers feel welcome.

Ed was famous for his witticisms and was a master at making people laugh. An early passion for coin collecting led to collecting old hardware and car memorabilia in his later years. Over his lifetime, he owned several old cars, most recently a 1974 MGB. He loved spending time at the beach, and some of his happiest moments were his time spent there with family.



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Ed was preceded in death by his parents, Edward T. and Louise Schorske Larrivee. He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Joan Norton Larrivee; their four children, Kathryne (Chris) Peterson, Anne Larrivee (Brian Mintey), Carolyn (Aaron) Harris, and Edward C. Larrivee; and three grandchildren, Savannah and Maddox Peterson, and Perrin Mintey. Ed's zest for life, quick wit, and the ability to bring a smile to those he loved will be dearly missed. His legacy of love, dedication, and laughter will live on in the hearts of all who knew him.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, January 30, at 11:00 am, Whatcoat U.M. Church, 16 North Main Street, Camden, DE. Visitation will take place Wednesday, January 29, between 4:00 and 7:00 pm at the Trader Funeral Home, 12 Lotus Street, Dover, DE. A private burial in the Veteran's Memorial Cemetery, Bear, DE will take place at a later date. Instead of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to the American Legion or Delaware Hospice. Letters of condolences can be sent to www.traderfh.com.



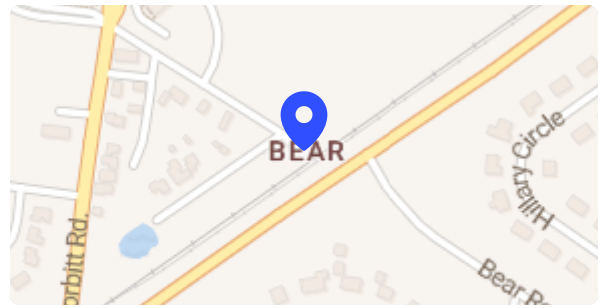
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DH

Diane Hindman posted:

The Hindman family sends much love at this sad time. We were next door neighbors for many years when we were young and all our kids were growing up.... even taking down the old fence between our yards so they had a great space to run and play. Such wonderful memories of our time on Governors Ave. Will never forget Ed coming outside and blowing his horn on New Years.

January 30 at 5:50 AM

RL

Ron And Donna Lapera posted:

Ed and I have been very close friends for over 17 years. I believed him to be like a surrogate brother. Ed was quick-witted and could easily bring forth laughter with this quick wit and natural sense of humor. He and I had much fun kidding around with one another. There was also a serious side to Ed as well and we enjoyed many meaningful conversations together. Ed was a wonderful human being who exhibited the highest degree of character. I firmly believe that he would step forward to assist others when in need. He was both very bright as well as "down to Earth" and had an uncanny degree of common sense. He possessed, utilized and applied his profound wisdom in making sense of seemingly complicated or complex situations. With Ed's passing, there is left a tremendous void which, I believe and regret to say, can never, ever be filled. He will be missed more than words can ever convey. I am very proud and honored to have called him both my brother and my very close friend. Ron and Donna Lapera.

January 29 at 6:48 PM

TD

Tammy Dayton posted:

So sorry to hear about Edward. He was a pleasure to be around and always made me laugh. I always enjoyed the stories he shared. Tammy Dayton.

January 29 at 3:36 PM



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CB

Cherie Dodge Biron posted:

My deepest condolences to the Larrivee Family. I worked with Joan for many years and remember Ed coming by with his smile and quick wit. He was one of the kindest and most loving people, truly loving his wife and family! Heaven received an angel and the stars are brighter.

January 29 at 3:33 PM

DJ

Deanna Jackson January 31 at 11:35 PM

I worked with Joan for 18 years when the children were young and had many opportunities to interact with Ed. He always greeted everyone warmly and had some pretty interesting stories to tell. I remember him as a Christian man who was active at his Methodist church and who loved his family dearly. Please accept my sincerest condolences.

JS

Jessie And Suni sent a Divine Peace Bouquet to the Larrivee family.



January 27 at 6:08 AM

BM

Brian Mahoney posted:

Karen and I moved to our home in 2018 on the same street as Ed and Joan. I can remember being out front doing something when a white van stopped. The guy driving asked if I was the new person living here. I walked over, extended my hand to introduce myself when he said, I don't shake hands thru a window. He quickly opened the door, stepped out and said, my name is Ed, welcome to the neighborhood and we shook hands. Over the he years it was always a pleasure to see Ed pass by, give a wave and yell hello out of the window. We are so sorry for your loss. We didn't know Ed well however what we can say is Ed was a nice person, we will miss that great smile.

January 25 at 1:39 AM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful Dreams to the Larrivee family.



January 22 at 5:44 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Edward by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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