



Theodore "Ted" Collins

May 2, 1945 - July 3, 2022

Collins, Theodore "Ted". July 3, 2022. Age 77. Beloved husband of Mary for 50 incredible years. Loving father of Amanda (Timothy) Murphy and Matthew (Nicole) Collins. Proud and adored grandfather of Emily, Jackson, Lily, and Grace. Fun and loving uncle of many nieces, nephews, and great nieces and nephews. Dear brother of Mary (Larry) Rosso. He was predeceased by his parents, John and Oneita; siblings, Maxine (Edward) Ulin, Ellen (Edward) Rozmary, and Donald.

Ted retired after 30+ years of service from GKN Automotive in 2006 where he was Director of Engineering.

Besides his family, Ted loved cars, golf, history, traveling, and "fixing things". He will be missed by all who knew him.

Ted Collins will lie in state Friday, July 8th, 2022 at 9:30 AM. Service at 10:00 AM at St. Kieran Church located at 53600 Mound Rd, Shelby Township, MI 48316. (586) 781-4901 - <https://www.stkieran.org/>

Please join us for a luncheon immediately following the service at The Palazzo Grande Banquet & Event Center located at 54660 Van Dyke, Shelby Township, MI 48315. (586) 731-2100 - <https://www.thepalazzogrande.com/>

In Lieu of flowers the family requests any donations be made to The Myositis Association. The Myositis Association <https://www.myositis.org/donate/> or a charity of your choice.

Please share memories with the family at their online guestbook at WujekCalcaterra.com

Tribute Wall

AT

“ *The the Collins Family. My deepest regards to you all. I worked with Ted at GKN. He always had a silly joke and a memorable smile. I will always remember him with that smile. God Bless you all. Anni and Jeff Teague*

Anni Teague - July 07, 2022 at 02:15 PM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss. I met Ted while I worked at GKN HQ either in Germany when we were both visiting or when I came over to Auburn Hills. His humour and warmth lifted me on many a difficult day. For many years I had a copy of one of his funny emails posted to the wall near my screen. It always made me laugh!
We will miss him*

Julie Dunnett

Julie Dunnett - July 07, 2022 at 10:06 AM

JB

“ *My deepest condolences on Ted's passing. He hired me 18 years ago here at GKN to manage the patent portfolio. I think I may be the only lawyer that ever reported to him or at least tolerated all his lawyer jokes. He will definitely be missed. You are all in my prayers.*

Jennifer Brumbaugh - July 06, 2022 at 11:02 PM

CL

“ *Mary, I just want you to know how sad we are for your loss. I am happy I was able to meet Ted and spend brief times with him. Prayers to you and your family.*

Cathy Logan - July 06, 2022 at 08:49 PM

HC

“ *Mary and family,
My most sincere condolences to you all. I worked with Ted at GKN for many years, and he always supported all of us in the organization no matter what the project was. He delivered and resolved issues which made all our jobs that much easier. He was a good colleague and friend and will be missed.*

Paul Culp

H. Paul Culp - July 06, 2022 at 12:34 PM

DD

“ Mary, so sorry to hear. Many fond memories of Ted and working at GKN. We had many good times and a lot of hard work, but he always made sure we got it done.

Dan Delaney - July 06, 2022 at 07:48 AM

EM

“ My grandfather was the strongest and most smartest person I knew. I will forever miss macaroni and hot dogs made by him, and being told I can't give the dog too many treats or they will be too spoiled! So many great memories and the best childhood I could ever ask for from grandpa and my grandmother.

Emily Murphy - July 05, 2022 at 11:16 PM

SN

“ I am grateful you were my Uncle, Uncle Ted.
Many memories from my childhood when Aunt Mary and Uncle Ted would watch us.. I remember being at your house and Uncle Ted handing me the phone to say my Dad was calling to tell me if it was a boy or girl when my sister was born. I am thankful to have had you as an uncle and will cherish memories of times spent together ❤️

Sarai Noechel - July 05, 2022 at 10:18 PM

LF

“ Mary,
I'm sorry to hear about Ted passing on Sunday. Ted hired me at GKN back in 1981. I have many memories of working with him during our time together. He will be missed and fondly remembered. Thinking of you and your family with sympathy.
Lou Farrace

Lou Farrace - July 05, 2022 at 08:32 PM

FU

“ Mary please accept my condolences on your loss. I'm sorry to hear about Ted's passing, Ted was my boss and friend for all of the 30 years spent at GKN. We spent many a time traveling and spent most days lunching at our favorite Chinese restaurants. He and I partnered on several US patents, and I know he'll be missed and always remembered, with deepest sympathy.
Fred Uchman

Fred Uchman - July 05, 2022 at 07:22 PM