



Mr. Roy G. Cotarelo

October 7, 1933 - June 25, 2022

Roy G. Cotarelo, 88, of Dover, Florida, born on October 7, 1933, entered into eternal rest on June 25, 2022. Roy attended Hillsborough High School class of 1951 and graduated from the University of Florida with a degree in Animal Husbandry. Roy was an extremely generous man with all who knew him. If you needed anything all you had to do was ask. He was quick witted, intelligent, with a charming genuine smile. He found humor in many things in life with a talent for making up rhyming catchy jingles and nicknames for everyone he met. Roy loved his family, friends, seafood, and sweets. He had a wide circle of friends including a tight bunch he'd known since childhood. His hobbies included fishing, writing, and visiting with family and friends. He was a huge supporter of animals. He took meticulous care of everything he owned and supported. Above all else he loved his wife Dorothy of 59 years and mourned her every day. He honored her memory by taking care of their beloved dog Promise (DOD 2021) and her rabbit foot fern which she received as a gift over 40 years ago. She was his world and after her death in 2017, his children and grandchildren tried to fill her shoes and ease his pain. We can now rejoice in the knowledge they are together again forever. He is survived by daughters, Vicki Walker of St. George, Utah, Harriet Smith (Burk) of Dover, Ruby Aman of Plant City, and Beverly Lee Cotarelo of Dover; grandchildren, Mindy Edgeman (Sedd), Jimmy Payne, Jake Smith, Will Smith (Cat), Alex Brousseau, Caren Keys, Rebecca Daublin, Brad Jacobson (Corinne), Emily Jacobson, and Keith Jacobson (Morgane); 18 great-grandchildren; sister,

Betty Saba; and nieces, Karen Simmons, and Janice Dupree. Per his request, there will be no funeral service. We will celebrate his life on March 4, 2023, at a family residence. Please contact family for further details. Expressions of condolence at www.HopewellFuneral.com.

Tribute Wall

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“ I was very surprised when I received the message about Roy's death. He and I had talked earlier that day. Roy was one of my oldest friends going back to grammar school. We had many great times together. I will miss him greatly!

Donald Wadsworth - August 04, 2022 at 09:31 AM

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“ HawHawHaw 😞😭

Sherri Falkenburg - July 03, 2022 at 12:03 AM

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*Hello to all the "Cotarelo" girls. I am so sorry to hear of your dad's passing. Your whole family was so much fun to be around when I was growing up in Brandon and I feel privileged to have known your dad {and your mom}. They raised an extraordinary family for sure! I will be praying to our gracious Lord to comfort of all the Cotarelo family members.
May He bless you all and keep you in His loving care!. -Beth Hutches*

Elizabeth Hutches - July 04, 2022 at 12:18 PM

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*Though we only knew Roy a short time both David and I really liked him and enjoyed talking to him whenever we saw him. We also appreciated how good he was to Cat. I know he will be missed by his family and friends.
David and Donna Howard*

Donna Howard - July 07, 2022 at 05:25 PM