



Denny Kline

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Denny Lee Kline, age 84, passed away peacefully on Friday, May 19th, 2023 at The Retreat Hospice in Mobile, Alabama. He was born January 31, 1939 at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston to Francis M. “Hank” and Sylvia Lee (nee Denny) Kline. Denny grew up in Columbus, Indiana and Miami, Florida where he was very active in the Southwest Boys Club of Miami founded by his father. An all-around athlete and All-State Quarterback, Denny graduated from Coral Gables High School and attended Vanderbilt University to play football. He was also a brother in the Tennessee Nu Chapter of Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity. In 1962, Denny graduated from Georgia Southern University and played on the NAIA College Baseball World Series winning team. After college, Denny married the former Sadie Thompson (b.1940 – d.2002) of Jesup, Georgia and began teaching and coaching football in Harlem, Georgia. Denny and Sadie’s only child, Hank was born in Augusta, Georgia. From 1969 to 1990 Denny was a Special Agent in the Federal Bureau of Investigation, which brought him from field offices in Quincy, Illinois to Newark, New Jersey, and the Explosives Unit at FBI Headquarters in Washington, DC to the Training Division at the FBI Academy in Quantico, VA. Following his government retirement, Denny was an established expert and consultant in his field, but also loved spending time sailing on the Chesapeake Bay and fly fishing in Maine and New Hampshire. Denny and his wife Debra moved to Foley, Alabama in 2008 and he spent the remainder of his life on the Gulf Coast where he loved playing golf, began playing percussion instruments

in local venues with musicians, and adored his dogs over the years. He is survived by his wife Debra Ann Kline (nee Davies) of Foley and son, Hank Von Kline (Gordon McGregor) of Laguna Beach, California. A celebration of Denny's life will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Hank Kline Club - Boys and Girls Clubs of Miami-Dade.

Tribute Wall

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“ I had the privelege and. pleasure of working with Denny Kline during his years in the Explosives Unit. I was his technician and learned much from Denny. He was an excellent teacher and mentor.

I only recently learned of his passing and the years apart do not lessen the grief. I will miss him. Sincere condolences to Hank and the entire family. Rest in peace my friend.

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