



Albert Kachic

June 18, 1931 - February 5, 2019

Albert S. Kachic, 87, beloved husband of the late Sheila, cherished father of Leslie (Paul), Valerie Sawyer (Fritz) and Alan (Georgina) and devoted grandfather of Owen Sawyer, Beloved brother of Jean Paynter, of Goleta, California. Passed away Feb. 5 after a brief illness. As longtime Eastern Regional hydrologist for the National Weather Service, Al spearheaded the development of comprehensive flash-flood warning systems for the benefit of many. After his retirement, he traveled to Bangladesh under United Nations auspices to help craft flash-flood programs designed to save thousands of lives during monsoons. Al was a passionate member of the Huntington Historical Society, and helped organize the Huntington Militia for the U.S. Bicentennial Celebration in 1976, as well as Huntington's 350th anniversary festivities in 2003. A labor of love for Al and Sheila was the decades they spent as volunteer docents giving demonstrations of 18th Century life for visitors to the historically restored Huntington Arsenal. As a young father, Al enjoyed taking his family on memorable camping trips to Yellowstone and Williamsburg, Virginia, and every Revolutionary War battlefield between Lundy's Lane and Kitty Hawk. As a loyal Penn State grad, he was also a rabid Nittany Lions football fan.

The family asks that donations be sent in Al's name to the Penn State University Libraries (libraries.psu.edu/making-gift-libraries).

Previous Events

Private Cremation

FEB 7 (ET)

Mount Pleasant Cemetery
Center Moriches, NY 11934
<http://www.mtpleasantcemetery.com/>

Tribute Wall



“ *Albert Kachic*

November 27, 2022 at 05:33 PM



“ *Valerie and family,
I just read about the loss of your father. I am so sorry. I always think about you when I pass the street off of depot road. Prayers for you and your family. Virginia Westfield*

Virginia Westfield - February 13, 2019 at 09:09 AM



“ *My sympathy to Al's family and friends. I crossed paths several times with Al when he was a National Weather Service employee. He was a very kind and considerate man, and I always enjoyed seeing him. Very polite, great attitude, great smile. One of those people that, when you reflect upon your interactions with them, you realize how fortunate you were to have met them. I have no doubt that his impassioned flash flood mitigation work over the decades saved many lives.*

Scott Kroczyński, State College, PA - February 12, 2019 at 09:05 AM



“ *My condolences to Al's family. I worked with Al at the Weather Service. He was a pleasure to work with. He was such a gentlemen, one of the best! He always had an interesting story to tell.*

Fortune Vilcko - February 11, 2019 at 06:25 PM

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GEORGE MCKILLOP - February 11, 2019 at 03:58 PM

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George McKillop - February 11, 2019 at 02:50 PM

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Celebrating Eleanor's 50th year of Federal Service with past & present ER Regional Hydrologists.

GEORGE MCKILLOP - February 11, 2019 at 03:57 PM

RH

“ I never had the pleasure of meeting Al or Sheila Kachic but have been immersed in the collection of early lighting implements that the family so generously donated to the Huntington Historical Society. As the volunteer registrar I've spent many hours researching and organizing the many pieces and appreciate the enthusiasm of the Kachics and their vast knowledge of history and its' artifacts. We are grateful for the donation that will help us teach future generations about their own history. I'm confident that Al and Sheila would have wanted that. I offer condolences to the family from myself and on behalf of the Huntington Historical Society.

Sincerely,
Robin Horn / Trustee and volunteer- Huntington Historical Society

R Horn - February 11, 2019 at 12:36 PM

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“ I met and worked with Al when I joined the NWS in 1990. We also saw him at a number of Huntington Militia events. He was a gentle and extremely kind person. Our condolences to the family..... Ted and Sheila Wilk

Ted Wilk - February 10, 2019 at 10:25 AM



“ Our deepest condolences to Al's family. He was a great mentor to me at ERH...Joseph Tabaco & Family

Joey Tabaco - February 09, 2019 at 03:11 PM