



ROBERT ARENDS

Robert Lewis Arends (Bob), 81, passed away on January 25 at Freedom Square in Seminole, Fla.

Bob was born to Lewis and Letha Arends on June 2, 1934 and raised in Paw Paw, Mich. He spent his early professional years as a teacher then principal in Lawton and Bellevue, Mich. After receiving a doctorate from MSU, he worked at Buffalo State University, then as a district superintendent for New Orleans Public Schools. He finished his career in Arizona, retired in 1995 from Mohave High School in Bullhead City and moved to Florida in 2010.

He was a wonderful father, husband and friend to many. He was active in the churches he attended and had a huge heart, donating to many charities. Bob had a great sense of humor, was an avid reader and student of history, and loved games, tennis, golf, skiing, roller coasters, and his Spartans and Bears.

He is survived by his daughter Elizabeth (Betsy) Judge and her husband Joseph of S. Pasadena Fla., and son Robert L. Arends Jr., his wife Valerie of Keller Texas and their sons Robert L. Arends, III of Las Vegas and Michael and Stephanie Arends of Euless Texas. He is also survived by his sister Helen Smith of Paw Paw Mich.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Suncoast Hospice, 5771 Roosevelt Blvd. Clearwater, FL 33760 or online at www.suncoasthospice.org.

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