



Kalman Schmauzer

February 4, 1941 - August 13, 2023

Kalman Schmauzer, 82, passed away Sunday, August 13, 2023, at Emory Hospice in Atlanta, Georgia. He was born in Halaszi, Hungary, and was the son of the late Kalman and Kovacs Gizelle Schmauzer, Mosonmagyaróvár, Hungary and sister, Mrs. Karolyne Mikovics, Mosonmagyaróvár, Hungary. He was a retired printer and Office Service Manager at Big Star Foods headquarter offices in East Point, Georgia. Mr. Schmauzer is survived by his wife of 56 years, Barbara C. Schmauzer of Fairburn; two sons and spouse, Michael Steven of Senatobia, Mississippi; and David Kalman and Shauna Schmauzer of Elizabethtown, Kentucky; and three grandchildren, Christopher Patrick Lillis, Mary Carolyn Lillis and Zsuzanne Mikayla “Kaylie” Lillis; and three foster siblings and their spouse all of Falmouth, Massachusetts; Carol Finnell Kenney (Ray-deceased), Steve (and Petra) Finnell, Mike (and Deborah) Finnell. He was preceded in death by his son Wayne Newton Schmauzer; his foster mother, Mrs. Eileene Green Finnell, Falmouth, Massachusetts; and his foster sister, Martha “Marta” Finnell Patrick, Falmouth, Massachusetts.

Kalman attended an Americanization School in Washington D.C. and became a United States naturalized citizen September 8, 1965. He served in the United States Army, Ft. Benning, Georgia and dismissed with an Honorable Discharge. He graduated from Grady Evening High School with the following honors: Class Valedictorian, Student Improvement Award for Academic

Excellence by the Peachtree-Atlanta Kiwanis Club and the 1975 Atlanta Journal Cup.

Kalman, 82, and Barbara celebrated fifty-six wonderful years of marriage and he lived a rich, fulfilling life with many wonderful memories of those people who helped him along the way. He continued to enjoy life everyday that God gave him after surviving multiple heart procedures, thanks to his cardiologist and other medical teams at Emory Midtown, Atlanta, Georgia.

In earlier years, Kalman enjoyed fishing and traveling to the mountains and ocean; and in recent years, he enjoyed watching many hummingbirds from his bedroom window.

Tribute Wall

SF

“ *Barbara: So sorry to hear about Kalman. He was a good man. I am sorry that we didn't live nearer so that we could have spent time together, but we did do some high school together. He and his fellow Hungarians went through much more than any teenagers should experience. Kalman came through it all very well, and made a good life for himself, and you. God bless him. Steve Finnell*

steve finnell - August 24, 2023 at 03:25 PM

BS

Thanks, Steve, for your kind words about Kalman. He thought a great deal about your family and said your mother was the greatest as she gave him a lot of good advice and guidance. Also, he recalls how shortly after being placed in your family, he had an emergency appendectomy surgery. As he spoke no English, your mother got Mrs. Andrew Szent-Gyorgyi to act as interpreter explaining that the doctors were going to perform surgery on him. Also, he said your mother called on her a few other times to translate for them. In my researching and writing Kalman's life story, I found that Dr. Andrew Szent-Gyorgyi, chairman of the Cape Cod Committee for Shelter for Hungarian Students, arranged with fourteen Falmouth families to open their homes to him, and the other Hungarian refugees, had passed away earlier on January 27, 2015. Also, thanks to your sister Carol's help, I was able to locate a few of the Hungarians still living in the Falmouth area. I agree Kalman went through a lot to get to this country, and he felt grateful for all those who helped him along the way.

Barbara Schmauzer - August 30, 2023 at 04:40 AM

VP

“ Barbara, Michael, David and Shauna,
We were not fortunate to know Steve personally.
However, Michael and Valerie shared many endearing memories.
We would have enjoyed getting to know him.
Holding you in our hearts and prayers. May God bless you and give
you peace.
Rod & Vickii Pflug

Victoria Pflug - August 17, 2023 at 08:55 PM

BS

Thanks,Rod & Vicki for your prayers and best wishes for our whole
family. We appreciate them very much.

Barbara Schmauzxer - August 19, 2023 at 01:23 AM

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Victoria Pflug - August 17, 2023 at 08:47 PM