Eugene D. Krumm (1930-2016)

Eugene D. Krumm, 85, died peacefully on Wednesday, June 1, in Palm Coast, Florida. Eugene was born on September 7, 1930, in Council Bluffs, Iowa. He was the son of the late Rudolph and Irene Woodrow Krumm.

Eugene graduated from Newburg High School in Newburg, Iowa, in 1948. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Iowa State University in 1958. He later received an MBA in 1983 from Syracuse University and a Master of Science in Mechanical Engineering from SUNY Buffalo in 1991. Eugene entered the U.S. Marine Corps in 1951, served in Korea in 1953 and was honorably discharged in 1954.

In 1958 Eugene moved to Wellsville, New York, to work as an engineer at ABB Air Preheater, Inc. He continued to work there until his retirement in 1994. During his tenure at Air Preheater he developed heat exchangers for nuclear submarines and concepts for aerospace planes. He holds eight U.S. patents for his inventions. In 1997 Eugene was named a Fellow of ASME International (the American Society of Mechanical Engineers).

Eugene was very active in community service organizations in Wellsville. He served as Board President of Allegany Arc, Board Chairman of ARA (mental health services), Board Chairman of Allegany Council on Alcoholism and Substance Abuse and Board Chairman of the Allegany County Community Services Board. He also served as the President of the Allegany Arts Association.

Eugene is survived by his son and daughter-in-law Andrew and Jennifer Krumm of Palm Coast, Florida; daughter Jennifer Krumm and son-in-law Alan Pekrul; and grandchildren Alan and Gracie Pekrul of Simi Valley, California; former wife Nancy Fleischer of Ormond Beach, Florida; and siblings Gwen Ward of Nevada, Iowa, and Donna Norris of Burlington, Iowa.

Eugene was a loving father and grandfather who will always be remembered for his hard work, intelligence, sense of humor, generosity and kindness. He will be dearly missed by his family and friends.

Eugene's siblings will be holding a graveside service in his honor at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, July 9. After the gravesite service, there will be a memorial service in the Westfield church. In lieu of flowers the family suggests donating to the Alzheimer's Association. Messages of condolence may be sent to Andrew Krumm (andykcycle3@gmail.com) or Jennifer Krumm (jenniferkrumm66@gmail.com).

In death, Eugene joins his parents and his sisters Vivian Krough and Shirley Krumm. Eugene will be laid to rest at Westfield Cemetery near Grinnell, Iowa.