Anthony Dennis Rusiewski

Anthony Dennis "Denny" Rusiewski, 78, of Avon Lake, Ohio, formerly of Arnold, Md., and the greater Detroit, Mich., area, passed away peacefully Tuesday, July 28, 2015, in St. John Medical Center, Westlake, Ohio.

He was born January 19, 1937, in Canonsburg.

Mr. Rusiewski lived in Avon Lake for the past 26 years.

He was a 1954 graduate of Canonsburg High School. Following graduation, he attended the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md., where he studied general engineering and played on the varsity football team.

Mr. Rusiewski was a gifted mechanical engineer for Ford Motor Co. with a career that spanned 33 years, retiring in 1995. Considered an expert on transmissions and chassis, he performed duties in design, quality and manufacturing at numerous Ford locations across the United States. His final position was as a resident engineer for Lorain (Ohio) Assembly Plant.

During his education, he met the love of his life, Helen Maxine Susa, the future Mrs. Rusiewski. The two were young and grew together to forge an inseparable bond of love, with Mr. Rusiewski adoring his wife every day. The marriage would also create his greatest pride and joy, three sons.

Family was the paramount focus of his life. He understood the importance of family. He taught his sons the value of love through hard work and discipline and that anything was possible if you put your mind to it.

In his retirement, he enjoyed casino trips to Atlantic City, N.J., the Bahamas, and Las Vegas, Nev. In his spare time, he enjoyed serene walks along Lake Erie and tending to his vegetable garden. He loved to travel to visit family, especially spending time with his grandchildren.

Surviving are sons Dennis A. Rusiewski (Mary) of Rochester, Mich., Mark D. Rusiewski (Brenda) of Chicago, Ill., and Gary M. Rusiewski (Kendy) of Ashburn, Va.; six grandchildren, Calvin, Kendal, Nina, Dennis, Lauren and Abby; and siblings Carole Pankas (John) of Canonsburg, Bob Mavrich (Teresa) of Bethel Park, Deborah Gasper (Drew) of Strabane and Timothy Mavrich (Patricia) of Canonsburg.

Deceased, in addition to his wife of 45 years, are parents Anthony and Marcella Kaminski Rusiewski and stepfather Henry Mavrich.

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