



## Francis Lenahan Kelsey

December 30, 2013

Francis (Bud) Lenahan Kelsey, born 1/26/25 in Buffalo, NY. Attended Bennett H/S where he met the love of his life Phyllis Simson. He joined the Air Force in 1943 as a Bombardier/Navigator. On September 20, 1945 he took a leave to marry Phyllis and then returned to service. After the service, he attended Columbia University to earn a degree in Engineering. His first and only job was with Niagara Machine and Tool in Buffalo where he became their top Sales Engineer. He retired from Niagara at 62 years of age after which Bud and Phyllis enjoyed numerous years of traveling and loving life on Lake Lanier. Bud was married to Phyllis until her passing on Feb 16, 2009.

He is survived by his 3 daughters, Kathy Villano and her husband Jim, Colleen Jager and her husband Wolfgang and Maureen Cowart and her significant other Jeff. He is also survived by 14 Grandchildren and 14 Great Grandchildren with 2 more on the way.

He was a devout Catholic and a longtime member of Prince of Peace in Flowery Branch.

Services will be held Thursday, January 2, 2014 at 3:00 in the Chapel of Flanigan Funeral Home. The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 2:00 to 3:00 prior to the service.

# Tribute Wall



“ Francis Lenahan Kelsey

November 08, 2022 at 07:37 PM



“ Smooth sailing Commodore. You are missed, but we are glad you and Phyllis are reunited. Peace to you both!

**Rick McCully** - January 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ My heart is with you in your time of mourning. John 11:32-35

**M Harris** - January 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ Bud was great to be around and I always enjoyed hearing stories from him. Loved seeing him pull his pad out and quote me stats on a variety of subjects. Great conversations. He will be missed.

**Jonathan & Karen Ross** - January 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Sweet Bud. Mom and I were blessed to be your friends for many years at Prince of Peace. I loved your humor, your stories and how devoted you were to Phyllis. I will remember your family in my prayers. I love you. Nancy

**Nancy Badertscher** - January 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ To the family so sorry for your loss. The promises ,made at "John 5:28,29" & "Revelation 21:3,4" will give you some comfort at this time. If you would like to learn more, go to [www. jw.org](http://www.jw.org)

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**Sandra Rhodes** - January 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ Your father was a wonderful kind person that I know you will miss very much. We are so sorry we missed the service but we were out of town.

*Our thoughts are with you and your family at this time.*

*Nancy and Chris*

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**Nancy and Chris Nash** - January 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JU

“ To Colleen, Kathy and Bud's entire family,  
What a dear sweet man your Daddy was, and such a joy to be around. We know he has been ill for a while, but now he is up in heaven with his dear Phyllis and happy again.

*I had hoped to come to pay my respects today, but was unfortunately unable to get there. Please know that Gray and I are thinking of you and wishing you comfort.*

*Janet*

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**Janet & Gray Upchurch** - January 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TG

“ *Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of tender mercies, and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our trials - 2 Corinthians 1:3,4.*

*I hope you can find comfort from Jehovah as the Scripture here in 2 Corinthians assures us.*

*From a loving neighbor,  
Tara Gladney*

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**Tara Gladney** - December 31, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ *Bud was one precious person. I have missed him and Phyllis and am so glad they are together again.*

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**Angela Sparks** - December 31, 2013 at 12:00 AM