

It is with deep regret that I report Comrade Ralph Umbdenstock has passed away. Ralph was a 41 year member of the American Legion and a Past Commander of Post 312.

MEMORIAL SERVICE:

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10th, 1:30 to 4:30 P.M. OPEN TO ALL FRIENDS AND FAMILY.
DESSERTS AND COFFEE SERVED.**

MAPLE PARK POST 312 - 203 MAIN ST. MAPLE PARK IL.

Ralph R. Umbdenstock of Kerrville, TX passed away Monday December 31, 2012 in San Antonio, TX where he had been briefly hospitalized with pneumonia.

The son of Anthony & Elvira (Klemm) Umbdenstock, he was born at home Nov. 1, 1951 with his twin sister Rita.

On Oct. 16, 1999 he married Judi Kruzel. They made their home in Warrenville until Ralph's retirement when they moved to Kerrville, TX.

He spent his early years on the farm near Maple Park helping with chores and working with his father building grain bins. Ralph graduated from Kaneland H.S. with the Class of '70. He was a Vietnam veteran and served in the US Air Force from 1970 - 1972. He graduated from Waubonsee Community College in 1975.

Ralph loved to travel and had the opportunity when he worked for Barber Greene for a number of years and later Lucent Technologies for 13 years. He spent two years in Barcelona, Spain helping set up a new phone system prior to the 1992 Olympics.

He enjoyed skiing and scuba diving on his vacations.

He could always tell a story or joke and always remember the punch line.

He never met a person who did not become his friend and who ever forgot Ralph.

Ralph continued to live on the family farm after his parents moved to Maple Park. He maintained the family farm pond where many swimming parties were enjoyed with family and friends.

He was a 41 year member and Past Commander of Maple Park American Legion Post 312, involved with the Knights of Columbus, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and La Society des 40 Hommes et 8 Chevaux Locale #592.

He is survived by his wife Judi; step daughters Shawna Lee and Rachele Gatherings; one brother Anthony; seven sisters Sheryl Montavon, Mary (Joseph) Walter, Kathryn Belsches, Nancy Walter, Josephine Sprovieri, Rita (David) Campbell, and Helen Umbdenstock; many nieces, nephews, and great nieces and nephews; and a world full of friends.

He was preceded in death his parents Anthony and Elvira, one sister Carol (Henry) Kohley, and three brothers-in-law John Montavon, Henry Kohley and David Belsches.

Funeral services will be held at Grimes Funeral Chapels, Kerrville, TX on Sat. Jan. 5, 2013 at 10:00 AM. Internment will be with military honors at a date to be determined at Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, TX.

A memorial gathering will be held in Maple Park at a future date.

Memorial contributions in his name may be made to the **American Legion Post 312, PO Box 97, Maple Park, IL 60151**