

## David Lyons



David Newman Lyons, 69, of John Clarke Nursing Center, Middletown, R.I. died peacefully on May 30, 2011 in Newport Hospital after a courageous battle.

David was born on April 7, 1942 in Newport, R.I., a son to the late John and Eleanor (Newman) Lyons, Sr. After attending De La Salle Academy, David graduated from Rogers High School in 1960. He entered the Navy and served with the SeaBees during the Cuban Missile Crisis at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. He later worked for the United States Postal Service for 37 years as a Letter Carrier and in Vehicle Maintenance. After retirement, he worked part-time at the Newport Yachting Center.

David was a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Lodge # 104 and the Ancient Order of Hibernians. He enjoyed golfing, fishing and, in his earlier years, gardening and yard work. He will be remembered by all who knew him for his kindness and easy-going manner. He leaves a daughter, Kimberly Lyons of Fall River, Mass., a son, John (Jay) Lyons of Newport, R.I., his brother and best friend John (Jack) Lyons, Jr. and his wife Kathy Lyons, his former wife and friend Mary Alice Lyons, his nieces, Deborah Reilly, Emily Lyons, Jane Lyons, and Rory Burns, his nephews David Easterbrooks and Conor Burns, his brother-in-law Charlie Burns, his sister-in-law Barbara Easterbrooks and many dear friends, especially Bob O'Neill and the late Jimmy Toppa.

We offer a special thank you to the wonderful staff of the John Clarke Nursing Center and to the doctors, nurses and staff of Newport Hospital for the compassionate care given. A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Friday June 3, 2011 at St. Joseph's Church, Mann Ave and Broadway, Newport. Burial at St. Columba Cemetery, Middletown. Visiting hours were held on Thursday June 2nd from 4-7pm in the O'Neill-Hayes Funeral Home, 465 Spring St., Newport

Please send donations in Dave's honor to the John Clarke Nursing Center Activity Fund, 600 Valley Road, Middletown, R.I. 02842.