



# Ray "Duke" Snider

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## In Loving Memory of

Ray "Duke" Snider

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Ray "Duke" Snider, age 86, passed away peacefully on March 25, 2026.

Born on May 16, 1939, Duke lived a full and meaningful life defined by service, dedication, and a deep love for family and friends. He proudly served his country in the United States Army as an Airborne Ranger, carrying the values of strength, courage, and discipline with him throughout his life.

Duke was a respected and award-winning Allstate Insurance Agency owner for over 40 years. Through his hard work, integrity, and genuine care for others, he built not just a successful business, but lasting relationships within his community.

Outside of his career, Duke embraced life with enthusiasm and joy. He was an avid boater who found peace and happiness on the water, and he cherished every opportunity to travel and explore. More than anything, he loved spending time with his wife, his son and his grandsons, his family, and his many friends. Whether sharing stories, laughter, or quiet moments, Duke made those around him feel valued and loved.

He will also be fondly remembered for the special bond he shared with his beloved puppies, Archie and Alfie, who brought him great comfort and companionship.



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Duke was a generous, fun-loving, and charismatic man whose wisdom and warmth left a lasting impression on everyone he met. His genuine spirit and kind heart will be deeply missed but never forgotten.

He is survived by his loving wife, Diane Snider (Knechtel); his son, Scott Snider (Joann Snider); his grandsons, Joey (Hannah) and Zack (Juls); his beloved niece, Joelle Kemerer-Archer (Broc & Josiah); and his beloved bonus son Brad Lewis.

Services will be private.

Duke's favorite saying,

"Thank you kindly,"

reflects the gratitude and gracious spirit he carried throughout his life—a simple phrase that will forever echo in the hearts of those who knew and loved him.

Forever Loved, Forever Remembered

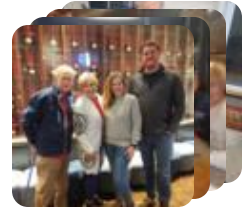


# Tribute Wall

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**Alexandra Reidenbach-Jones** shared 4 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.



March 30 at 10:29 AM



**Diane Dietrich** posted:

We are given many gifts. The most precious is our family. The hearts of our work family have been heavy. We lost a kind and caring leader. Thank you Ray for your wonderful personality and your guidance in how to treat others. We will miss you dearly. Scott, Jo, Joey and Zack - May peace and comfort find you soon, may time heal your heartache and you feel surrounded by love.

March 30 at 7:12 AM



**Shelby Tillman** posted:

A man who loved this family and friends. My condolences to Scott, Jo and boys. Shelby

March 29 at 6:05 PM



**Shelby Tillman** lit a candle in honor of Ray.

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March 29 at 6:00 PM



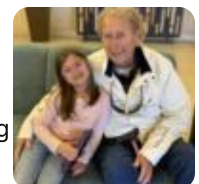
**Anonymous** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Ray.

March 29 at 4:27 PM



**Lorynn Robb** shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

I am so glad we got to spend time with Ray last Spring after my mom passed. He always adored our daughter and was always smiling. I am sad to hear of his passing and sending love to the whole Snider family.



March 29 at 11:56 AM



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**William Baldy** posted:

When I was growing up, I always remember the small cardboard calendars that Ray would send to my father each year as a client of his Allstate agency. They were always a staple on our kitchen table. Back then, little did I know that we would someday be working together! For as great of a businessman that Ray was, he was a far better person. He was one of one and they threw away the mold. Rest in peace Ray and please know that you made this world a better place! God bless.

March 28 at 4:48 PM



**Josnider@Allstate.Com** March 29 at 11:39 AM

we still do those cardboard calendars! After he passed we went back to his condo and sitting prominently on his table was his Allstate calendar. Big tears.



**Hugh Baxter** posted:

I have only known Duke a few years, but he was a unique and special guy and Joanne and I always looked forward to being able to get together with him and Diane for a diner outing. When we first met, I will always remember that he made me feel like we had known each other and been close friends for a long time. He loved to talk about his boat and all the fishing he had done and was almost apologetic about not being able to take us out on his boat anymore. When I joined a boat club, I was able to take him out for an afternoon on the intercoastal and found myself constantly asking him for pointers to gain some of the knowledge and experience he possessed. We will miss our friend.

March 27 at 6:44 PM



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**Julia Rill** posted:

While visiting Duke a few weeks ago we were playing games in the kitchen one night and I was cold. I went over to the living room grabbed a small blanket off the couch. A few moments later Duke appeared beside me and placed an extra large warm soft blanket over my shoulders. Even with limited mobility Duke did everything he could to show his love right until the very end. The true definition of a gentleman ❤️ - juls

March 27 at 2:10 PM



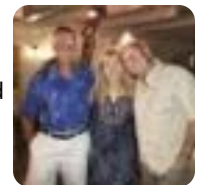
**Josnider@Allstate.Com** March 27 at 4:53 PM

he lived for his grandsons and was so happy to know that both of them have chosen amazing women!



**Cindy Kulick** shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Our wonderful memories of Ray and all the adventures we have had together could fill a book. We will treasure them in our hearts. Words cannot convey how much he meant to us. He was the best and we were blessed to have him as our life long friend. We will miss him so much. Deepest sympathy and love to Diane, Scott, Jo, Joey, and Zack



March 27 at 2:09 PM



**Brad Lewis** shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

There were so many great memories Ray and I had together over the years that it's hard to just pick one. From going out fishing or just being around his boat to skiing and just simply having a lunch at Eatn park which we did quite often. I was lucky enough to have known Ray for 30 years and was even lucky enough to call him my dad. He always did the right thing and treated everyone with kindness. The perfect role model anyone could ask for. He will be missed deeply and I will never be forgotten. The boat picture represents the love and many memories we had out on the water fishing or going to lunch on the boat. Love you Always Ray Your son Brad



March 27 at 1:46 PM



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**Janice Knechtel** posted:

Many family dinners were had and no matter when I would see him, he always asked me about my autograph collection and when the next event was. He always showed interest in my hobby. He was a kind soul who will be missed dearly. Rest easy Duke

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# Memories only last if you share them

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