

Robert M. Kerry

Robert M. Kerry, 46, of South Amherst, died Sunday at his home after a two month illness.

Mr. Kerry was born in Meadville, Pa., and raised in Lorain. He lived the past 15 years in South Amherst.

He was employed as a chemical operator for the B.F. Goodrich Co. in Avon Lake, and worked 24 years for the company.

An avid boater and fisherman, Mr. Kerry was instrumental in organizing a walleye fishing tournament at the B.F. Goodrich plant. As a youth, he was a great baseball enthusiast.

Mr. Kerry was a veteran of the Marine Corps and served during the Cuban Missile Crisis.

He is survived by his wife of 24 years, Constance Ann (nee Springer); sons, Jeffrey Alan and John Russell, both of South Amherst; his mother, Maxine K. Gilleland of Lorain; a brother, Michael Charles Kerry of North Canton; and sisters, Judi Young of LaGrange, and Beth Alice Weil of Grafton.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-4 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. at the Hempel Funeral Home, 373 Cleveland Ave., Amherst.

Services will be 11 a.m. Wednesday at the funeral home. The Rev. Jeff W. Gindlesberger, pastor of the First United Methodist Church, South Amherst, will officiate. Burial will be in Ridge Hill Memorial Park, Lorain.

Memorial contributions can be made to the hospice program at St. Joseph Hospital, Lorain, or to the American Cancer Society.

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