



RALPH DEXTER KELLY
Onboard Stimson: 1968-1971

KINGSTON TWP. — Ralph Dexter Kelly, 71, of Kingston Township, passed away on Wednesday, Nov. 21, 2018, at Geisinger Wyoming Valley Medical Center in Plains Township.

He was born in Bucyrus, Ohio, the son of the late John and Jessie Mae Crum Kelly. Ralph was a United States Navy veteran serving during the Vietnam War on the submarine, USS Henry L. Stimson. He worked for 36 years for Commonwealth/Frontier Telephone.

Ralph was member of the Lions Club, the Endless Mountain Archery Club and the Back Mountain Bloomers Club. He was also a volunteer for Meals on Wheels. He loved wood carving and was known for the Santa Clauses that he made. He also loved photography. Ralph was known for being an extremely hard worker, his selfless love for his family and his generosity to his friends and anyone in need.

He was preceded in death by his daughter, Tami Kelly, by a grandson, Ricky, and by his sisters, Mona Stansberry and Evelyn Kelly.


Surviving are his wife of 43 years, Linda R. Rifenberg Kelly; children, Shawn Kelly, of Kentucky, Diane Lynn Kelly, of Dallas, and John Kelly and his wife, Lacy, of South Carolina; grandchildren, Ashley, Donald, Sam, Isabella, Miranda, Johnny, Hailea, Ashlyn, and Ansley; eight great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandson; and nieces and nephews.

Memorial services will be held at 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday from the Nat & Gawlas Funeral Home, 89 Park Ave., Wilkes-Barre. The Reverend Carol E. Coleman will officiate.

Friends may call from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday at the funeral home.

Online condolences may be made by visiting Ralph's obituary at www.natandgawlas.com.



Hull#	Ship's Name	Rate/Rank	Years
SSBN-655 	Henry L Stimson		1968-71

KELLY RALPH D. FM(SS) B402925

Name/Service No/Rate



WIFE'S NAME GELKI LYNN

CHILDREN'S NAMES 1. SHAWN M.

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HOMEL STATE & TOWNSHIP OHIO VANDER SANDUSKY (ST. TOWNSHIP) (TOWNSHIP)

PREVIOUS DUTY STATIONS DECK

ABE LINCOLN SSBN 002 (BLUE)

SUB SCHOOL CLASS 871

SPECIAL INTERESTS:

PROTOTYPE MISSILE TRG.

EXPIRATION ACTIVE OBL SERVICE 2 SEPT. 70 ADRO @ MAY 66

RELIGION PROT.

SERVICE NUMBER B402925 TOTAL ACTIVE SERVICE 2

DEPT/DIV ASSIGNMENT DECK

REPORTING DATE 26 JULY 68

SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS -

CREW ASSIGNMENT 6060

DATE OF BIRTH BUCKEYS OHIO

WIFE'S LOCAL ADDRESS 177 PERQUOT AVE, NEW LONDON

PLACE OF BIRTH 10 SEPT. 47