Terry Lee Sparks, 70, of Dunnellon, Florida, died Friday, February 13, 2009 at Legacy House, Ocala, FL.

He was born September 19, 1938 in Altoona, Pennsylvania, to Rutherford E. and Hazel I. Gearhart Sparks. He and his family moved here in 2002 from Newark, DE.

He graduated from Newark High School and attended the United States Naval Academy and the University of Delaware.

After 29 years in sales, installation and service of business machines, Terry retired from IBM Corp in 1993. Following his retirement, he provided computing and bookkeeping assistance to many individuals and small businesses in Delaware and southeastern PA. While in Delaware he was active in the Boy Scouts of America, serving as a Club Master and Assistant Scout Master in Newark and was an honorary member of Delaware Chapter 1 of the Blue Knights Law Enforcement Motorcycle Club.

In Ocala, FL, Terry received his amateur radio license and became a member of the Friendship Amateur Radio Club.

He attended the Dunnellon Presbyterian Church.

He was predeceased by his parents and sister, Connie M. Crease. He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Joan Johnson Sparks and son Steven R. Sparks of Dunnellon, FL as well as a sister Diane S. White and her husband C. Donald White, Dunnellon, FL.

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