It is with deep sadness that International Cruise Victims must notify our members and friends that ICV founder and Chairman, Ken Carver passed away on December 30, 2019 after a brief illness. We are grateful and deeply touched by the wishes of Ken’s family that this information should be shared with you all.

The hard work and energy Ken poured into ICV will be his great legacy. Our mission now, as advocates for cruise ship victims of all types of crime, neglect, and trauma will be to make sure that Ken’s legacy lives on. We have much work ahead of us. The amazing man that Ken was would want this work to continue. Therefore, we will persevere and see our way through this sad time. Ken leaves behind unfillable shoes, but we can be relatively certain, that somewhere from above he will still be calling all the shots anyway and urging us on.

A date will soon be set for our annual board of directors meeting and we will send out another update afterwards. Meanwhile, Ken’s family issued the following obituary which I know you will appreciate.

In Loving Memory

Kendall Lynn Carver
November 4, 1936 – December 30, 2019

Kendall Carver died in Scottsdale Arizona on December 30, 2019 at the age of 83 surrounded by his family and friends.


In 2006, Ken founded the International Cruise Victims Association after the disappearance of his eldest daughter on a cruise ship. As Chairman, he raised
global awareness of safety concerns with cruising and successfully lobbied for new legislation to control crimes on cruise ships. For this work, Ken was presented with the Ronald Reagan Public Policy Award by the US Department of Justice in Washington DC.

On the personal front, Ken was an avid photographer who loved to travel and was always looking for what was on the other side of the next hill. Most importantly, Ken was a devoted husband, father, grandfather and friend and survived by his wife Carol, 3 daughters, and 4 grandchildren. We’ll greatly miss him.

Memorial Service  
Paradise Valley United Methodist Church  
4455 E Lincoln Drive  
Paradise Valley, AZ 85283  

Date: Saturday, February 1, 2020  
Time: 3:00-5:00pm including the wake following the service  

An additional service will be held later this summer in Iowa.  
Donations can be made to the International Cruise Victims Association.

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