
Hans Hillmann

Obituary



Hans Karl-Heinz Hillmann, beloved spouse, father and grandfather, born May 3, 1942, in Bremen, Germany, died June 5, 2015, in Las Cruces, New Mexico. Hans joined the North German Lloyd shipping company in 1959 at 16 and later obtained the captain's license A6 from the Merchant Marine Officers College in Bremen. He sailed the world on cargo and container ships and the cruise ships Berlin and Bremen. He loved to tell that he came to Houston on his first voyage in 1959, not knowing that 20 years later Houston would become his home until 2013.

Hans is survived by his spouse, Erda Hillmann; daughters Judith Ricci (Dean Ricci), Eva Hillmann (Daniel McCabe), Esther Psomiadis (Theofilos Psomiadis); grandchildren, Aldo and Ella Ricci, Levon, Ecko and de'Ette McCabe, Dimos Psomiadis; brothers Heiko Hillmann and Dirk Hillmann and their families in Germany. It was Hans' wish to be cremated. His ashes will be returned to the family's burying place in the Lutheran cemetery in Bremen-Blumenthal, Germany, at a later time. Hans asked that any donations be made to www.Straydog.org, a no-kill animal shelter in North Texas.

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