



# Harold Koumjian

January 27, 1939 - March 13, 2025

Harold Koumjian, a devoted husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, and friend, passed away at the age of 86. Born on January 27, 1939, in Cambridge, Massachusetts, Harold lived a life full of passion, adventure, and love.

A proud United States Marine, Harold chose to serve because he deeply loved his country. He carried the discipline and honor of his service throughout his life. He was a talented athlete, playing football at Boston University, where he was a first draft pick and later earned a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration. His career in the luxury shoe industry spanned over five decades, serving as Vice President of Bruno Magli International for 38 years and A. Testoni for 15 years. Shoes weren't just his business—they were in his soul. He took pride in his craft, never considering it work but rather a calling. Among his many notable moments, he had the honor of fitting Elton John with custom shoes.

Beyond his career, Harold was a man of deep warmth and vibrant personality. He loved a good, perfectly crafted martini—straight up, two olives—grilling clams on the BBQ, and traveling the world. At home in Bergenfield with his beloved wife of 25 years, Sharon, Harold cherished the simple joys—walking his dog, Dutchess, watching the History Channel with his grandsons, and listening to classical music. A true Armenian at heart, he took immense pride

in his heritage and family roots.

His love for family knew no bounds. He is survived by his wife, Sharon, his children, Laura Bresnee, Michael Koumjian, Bobby & Lori Koumjian. His cherished step children, Debbie & Gary Miuccio, Resa & Andy Javier, and Joe Hess & Steve. His grandchildren Alex, Lauren, Ben, Gary, Jack, Anthony, Julia, Matt, Kyle, Jennie, and Andrew as well as his three beautiful great grand-daughters, Viviana, Giana, and Juliana. His beloved sister, Sunny Boghosian, along with many nieces and nephews, also held a special place in his heart. Harold was a man who made everyone feel like family, and his warmth extended to his countless friends in Boynton Beach, Florida, where he and Sharon spent cherished time at their second home.

In his later years, Harold found joy in a new role—giving back as a substitute teacher for special education students. His kindness, patience, and humor brought light to the lives of those he taught.

Harold was larger than life—lively, charming, and always up for good conversation. Whether he was on a boat in Florida, enjoying football, or sharing stories over a meal, he had an uncanny ability to make every moment feel special. His legacy will live on in the hearts of those who loved him, and his spirit will forever remind us to embrace life with passion, humor, and love.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 18. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Volk Leber Funeral Home  
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## Military Honors

MAR 18. 5:30 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ It took me awhile to think of something to say, but I finally thought of what was important. I was listening to Alphaville's "Forever Young", and it reminded me of what it was like to grow up in the 80s. Bob, you, me and a lot of others had a great life growing up in Ramsey. And at the forefront of that were our parents. I hope that somewhere in this universe the happiness that we and others had growing up with loving parents, when death was still far away and all of our dreams were still possible, I hope that somewhere that happiness is stored.

I hope that in the future of our lives, or somewhere in the hereafter we get to experience our youths once more and that we can experience the love that our parents had for us and that we had for them fresh and new, the way it was when we were still children and they were our guiding light. I hope that our fathers still feel our love. Always remember Bob, that your father was proud of you and wanted you to be happy. So in the future of your life, be sure to fulfill that wish of his, and hopefully you'll know that he is still proud of you.

- J.P.

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**Joseph P McKenna** - May 10, 2025 at 09:53 PM

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“ Our deepest and heartfelt condolences to you Sharon and your entire family. Always look for the signs Harold sends to you, as his soul will always be with you. Sending Hugs and Much Love, Carol Ann Dondero and Mark DePew

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**Carol Ann Dondero** - March 16, 2025 at 10:53 AM