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On April 11, 1953 he married Okaneida Stewart in Randolph County, Arkansas. Ken is preceded in death by his wife of 48 years; father and mother; one brother, Richard Caraway; and a grandson, Marcus Priddy. He is survived by his companion of 17 years, Leatha Conaty; two sons, Mike Caraway (Debra) and Barry Caraway (Tammy) and a daughter, Linda Welch (Palmer); three grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

A Celebration of Life will be held at 10 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 22, 2018, at the Congregational Church of Sun City, 99th Ave and Union Hills. In lieu of flowers, contributions in Ken's memory may be made to the Sun City Lodge BPOE #2559, 10760 W Union Hills Dr, Attn: Veteran's Fund, Sun City, AZ 85372. On check memo line please write: "Honor Flight-Ken Caraway".