
Douglas Oliver Pels

SAFETY HARBOR, FL

Douglas Oliver Pels, 62, formerly of York, died Saturday, April 23, 2005, at his residence under the care of Hospice of the Florida Suncoast.

He was born in Lockport, N.Y., and moved to Safety Harbor, Fla., in November of 1972 from York.

Mr. Pels worked for the Safety Harbor Fire Department from December 18, 1972, until retiring August 30, 1983. He was an EMS coordinator, Safety Harbor's first paramedic and a training officer until retiring. He served in the U.S. Air Force for four years.



(The mayor)
Mr. Pels is survived by his wife of 39 years, Katrina A. Pels; two daughters, Jody A. Nelson and Shannon A. Traub, both of Safety Harbor, Fla.; a sister, Barbara Sprandel of Salisbury, N.C.; and a grandson.
