

# Nife Notes

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## **In Memory**

### **Timothy Garrity, Life Member**

For those of you who may not be aware, BKC Life Member Timothy Garrity died in January, 2018. He is survived by his three children and seven grandchildren and other family and friends. He will especially be missed by his best friend and companion, Rose.

Esquire, hunter, fisherman and mentor to many, Tim was a true knife collector. His love of knives took him to bladesmithing classes where hammer meets steels and knives are forged. He was a past member of the ABS American Bladesmith Society and he later served as their legal counsel.

Tim was inspirational in forming the Northern Lakes Knife Company, Inc. along with John Woodruff and myself that lasted over 25 years worth of running the annual Fall Northern Lakes Knife Shows.

I lived near Tim. I always welcomed his phone call inquiring "Do you want a cup of coffee?" That usually meant he had found a new knife for his collection, probably an old knife at an antique show or flea market. He would carefully clean the knife—take the lint out or wipe off dirt, dust and loose rust. He would never scrape or grind or polish the knife. He appreciated the knife for what it was. He was fascinated by how old the knife might be and what was its history.

But most of all I just enjoyed our conversations and our friendship. I still wait for the phone to ring and the invitation to share a cup of coffee and talking . . . I miss you Tim.

Bob Schrap

