



North Star Yacht Club: The Company We Keep

Sharing a moment with the Henrys



In addition to beautiful riverfront views and a fantastic host of amenities, North Star Yacht Club is *the* place to meet some of Southwest Florida's nicest people. Paul and Barbara Henry, residents since November 2009, are the perfect example.

A walk on the beach

After living near Louisville, KY for more than 46 years, Barbara started thinking that wintry, blizzard-like conditions were no longer her cup of tea. No sooner did she say to Paul, "You know, we could be taking a walk on the beach right now," than they were on a plane to visit friends in Southwest Florida. For Barbara, moving to a new place had to meet three criteria: good medical services in close proximity, a nearby airport and a home

on or near the water. Used to living on more than an acre, they first looked around at single-family homes, but within five minutes of visiting the fourth floor condominium, Paul said, "This is the place." Less than two months later, the Henrys were calling North Star Yacht Club home.

A new lifestyle

For Paul and Barbara, life at North Star Yacht Club means more time to do the things they love. They can be found walking the beaches of Sanibel, enjoying friendly get togethers with neighbors and friends, or tasting the culinary delights at one of the many nearby local restaurants.

With her quiet, genteel manner, it's hard to imagine Barbara as a busy ICU nurse. At long last, she has renewed her interests in playing the piano and plans to dust off her palette and paintbrushes very soon. Paul, a former banker and avid reader, has more time to relax and enjoy his books.

A look ahead

Incredibly busy every day, Barbara says she and Paul are "very happy." With children and grandchildren living in California, Arizona and Toronto, they have more time for each other and after nearly 52 years of marriage are still "great friends."

"We're looking forward to doing even more once we've

completely settled in," says Barbara. "We want to go to theater, explore the arts and continue trying all the great restaurants in Fort Myers and Naples – there is just so much to do."