



Blade Magazine Cutlery Hall-Of-Famers® Bill Moran (left) and Ken Warner were good friends. According to Cutlery Hall-Of-Famer B.R. Hughes, Warner was the first to write about Moran and his knives in a national magazine. Here Moran and Warner visit and talk knives at an early 1980s Knifemakers' Guild Show. (photo courtesy of B.R. Hughes)

Hughes said he recalls a memo circulating to ask if anyone else at *Gunsport* had an interest in or knowledge of handmade knives. Hughes raised his hand, contacted Cutlery Hall-Of-Famer A.G. Russell for a crash course in handmades, and took up writing about knives himself.

Knives

For many, Warner's greatest single contribution to the knife industry was not that first article in *Gun Digest*, nor his continuing effort to publish knife stories in popular magazines. Rather, it was the publishing of the first *Knives* annual in 1981 that sparked what became an explosion of interest in handmade knives.

"The big thing with Ken is that he mainstreamed knife interest, and everybody credits him with that," assessed Cutlery Hall-Of-Famer Bruce Voyles, with whom Warner co-authored the book *Knives Digest* in 1999. "That, in my opinion, was not his greatest contribution. That came when he got the *Knives* series started. For the first time you had a listing of not just a particular organization's members but

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