



Mr. Marshall Edward Blume II

March 31, 1941 - January 27, 2019

Marshall Edward Blume

1941- 2019

After a sudden and brief illness, Marshall Edward Blume died the afternoon of Sunday, January 27, 2019 in Easton, Maryland. In his final hours, Marshall was surrounded by his wife of 53 years, his three children and their families. His nurse expressed awe at finding “so much love in one room.”

Marshall met Loretta Ryan on a blind date in Chicago and married her in June of 1966. Three children followed: Christopher Blume, Caroline Blume Sanderson, and Catherine Blume Meyerle. They, in turn, married and bore Marshall seven grandchildren who endearingly called him “Grand Marshall.” In spirit, there was little difference between grandfather and his grandchildren. Marshall’s impish joy imbued ice cream runs, dance parties and Lego projects, often at family reunions he organized to celebrate family time. As a lifelong scholar, Marshall studied at Trinity College and earned his PhD in Finance at the University of Chicago. He believed in living at the edge of knowledge and in working to extend that boundary. His curiosity and intellect ultimately brought him to The Wharton School in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania where he was a Professor of Finance for 44 years. Marshall was widely recognized as an authority on investment strategies, measurement of risk and pricing of financial assets. He once served as Director of the Rodney L. White Center for Financial Research and was honored as the Howard Butcher Professor, Emeritus, of Financial Management.

As a real world complement to his work in academia, Marshall co-founded the asset management firm Prudent Management Associates in 1982. He successfully counselled numerous clients that trusted PMA to make sound investment decisions.

Against that professional backdrop, Marshall was generous with his time, expertise and resources. He served as the Managing Editor of the Journal of Finance and sat on multiple boards, from the Academic Advisory Board of Standard & Poor’s to the Episcopal Dioceses of Easton’s Investment Board. In the last few years, he served as the treasurer at Holy Trinity Church in his adopted hometown of Oxford, Maryland. Most recently, he and Loretta launched the Mid-Shore Scholars program in Easton, Maryland to support aspiring students with a path to higher education.

Since his death, countless people have recalled Marshall's kind smile, joyful laugh and youthful enthusiasm. He adored his family and cherished his friends. His active mind was dwarfed only by his boundless heart. It is in the joyful memories of this unique combination that we now take solace.

A service will be held at 11:00 am on Saturday, February 9 at Holy Trinity Church in Oxford, Maryland.

Donations can be made in his memory to Holy Trinity Church, 502 S. Morris St., Oxford, MD 21654.

Comments



“ A tribute video has been added.



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - February 05 at 04:35 PM



“ The Blume Family - Dawn and I wish you our condolences - I, along with Barry Sears and John Bennison, used to spend our Summers in Northbrook playing bridge with Marshall at the Jaeger household - we all had lofty ambitions and different colleges, but a great kinship - we all went our separate ways in the 60's and now we have to play another blind hand. I only wish I had known you were so close when I was stationed in DC so that we could have had a few more hands. I followed Marshall's extraordinary career and am proud to have witnessed some of his life.

Regards
Buzz and Dawn Gillogly
Westford, MA

Buzz Gillogly - February 12 at 06:07 PM



“ Our sincere condolences of the loss of such a brilliant scholar and a gentleman. We will always cherish our times together at family gatherings and will miss his impish smile and wit. JoEllen and Dennis Stork

Dennis and JoEllen Stork - February 08 at 01:16 AM



“ JoEllen and Dennis Stork purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Mr. Marshall Edward Blume II.



JoEllen and Dennis Stork - February 08 at 01:12 AM



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Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - February 05 at 03:14 PM



“ I fondly recall Marshall from Woodstock Rd in Villanova where I also lived. My sincere condolences to Loretta and family

Mary Ann Barrow

Mary Ann Barrow - February 03 at 03:08 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Marshall Edward Blume II.



January 31 at 02:53 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Marshall Edward Blume II.



January 31 at 01:57 PM