



Mr. Wallace Andrews McGarry Jr.

March 11, 1934 - December 13, 2020

Wallace Andrews McGarry, Jr. of Easton, Maryland, passed away unexpectedly Sunday, December 13, 2020. Born in Washington, DC March 11, 1934 to Wallace and Mildred McGarry, he was 86 years old.

Despite his famously quiet demeanor, Wallace was a warm man with a brilliant, dry, but self-deprecating sense of humor. He had a deep love and fierce devotion to his children and sincerely believed that his wife, Katie, was a gift from God.

He was also passionate about his evening scotch, Red Label not Black. He hated pretension.

Throughout his life, Wallace was athletic and active. He played on the Western Senior High School varsity football team, took up tennis then learned to hang glide and even earned his pilot's license. He enjoyed long hikes with his family and, without fail, worked out at the Easton YMCA six days a week. On the seventh day, he was the first parishioner in the pews at Trinity Cathedral in Easton.

Wallace served his country in Alaska for the US Army during the Korean Conflict.

Wallace was a gifted artist who graduated from the Chouinard Art Institute in Los Angeles (now Cal Arts) and spent nearly 40 years in the L.A. advertising industry primarily with the United States Sales Corporation as Creative Director.

Retiring to Talbot County in 1994, Wallace lived on Tilghman Island then moved to Easton after meeting fellow artist Katie Cassidy in 2005. They were soon married and became inseparable in their dedication to the arts but mostly, to each other, until his final moments on earth.

Beyond fine art, Wallace filled his life with creative pursuits including, model trains, gliders, woodworking, and boat building. He passed his talent and creativity on to his children and his granddaughter.

Wallace is survived by his wife Katie Cassidy McGarry, of Easton, and three children by former marriages, Christopher McGarry (Amelia) of New York City; Karin McGarry and Andrew McGarry (Dana), both of Arvada, Colorado; granddaughter Elizabeth McGarry; brother Ernie Johnson; sister-in-law Theresa McGarry, and cousin Jane McClatchy.

A private memorial service has been held. The family will be announcing plans for a celebration of Wallace's life at a future time when it is safe to gather.

Memorial contributions may be made to Trinity Cathedral, Easton, 314 North Street, Easton, MD 21601 or the Academy Art Museum, 106 South Street, Easton, MD 21601.

Comments



“ Dearest Katie,
Paolo and I have moved from Talbot County. However, I read about Wallace. I will always remember the amazing relationship and bond you two had. It was beautiful to see the happiness, joy and art that you found together.
Love, Leslie Westbrook

Leslie Westbrook - December 21, 2020 at 09:28 AM