



Bruce William Rohrbacher

November 5, 1921 - December 10, 2016

Bruce William Rohrbacher passed away peacefully on Saturday, December 10, at Heron Point Retirement Community following a short illness.

Born on November 5, 1921, in Milwaukee, WI, to the late Charles J. and Ella Wolf Rohrbacher, he graduated from Washington High School in 1939 and went on to attend the University of Wisconsin and the Harvard Business School, receiving his degree in Industrial Administration and his Master of Business Administration. Following ROTC at Wisconsin, Mr. Rohrbacher entered the U.S. Army as a Second Lieutenant and was stationed at Camp Dietrich, where he continued as a civilian employee following his honorable discharge and completion of his schooling.

Mr. Rohrbacher joined McKinsey & Company, international management consultants, in the early 1950's. With a special focus on governmental agencies and international governments, Bruce's practice included such national agencies as the Internal Revenue Service, the Department of the Interior and Agriculture, the National Aeronautics and Space Agency, international governments and the World Health and Food and Agriculture Organizations of the United Nations. After his retirement from McKinsey & Company in 1972, Bruce directed the United States Senate Commission on Financial Oversight for the District of Columbia and ultimately, he completed his business career as a special consultant to the World Bank. Throughout his

life, he enjoyed baseball, swimming, cross-country running, and boating.

In 1947, Bruce Rohrbacher married M. Virginia Currens and over their 44 years of marriage, they resided in Frederick, Chevy Chase, Potomac, and Annapolis, Maryland. Following Virginia Rohrbacher's death in 1991, Bruce moved to Chestertown, joining the Heron Point community in 1992.

He is survived by his four children, Judith McAlpin, Ellen Stevenson, James Rohrbacher, and Anne Inge, their spouses, eleven grandchildren, and ten great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held on Friday, December 16, 2016, in Wesley Hall at Heron Point Retirement Community, Chestertown, MD at 11:30 AM. A celebration of life and inurnment at Arlington National Cemetery will be held in late spring of 2017.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Hero Dogs, Inc., P.O. Box 64, Brookeville, MD 20833-0064.

Cemetery Details

Private

Previous Events

Service

DEC 16. 11:30 AM (ET)

Wesley Hall at Heron Point
501 E. Campus Ave
Chestertown, MD

Tribute Wall



“ *Bruce William Rohrbacher*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Bruce William Rohrbacher*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Bruce William Rohrbacher*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *I just learned of Bruce's death from a notice in the World Bank retirees' news bulletin. I had lost track of him a few years after his retirement from the World Bank and had no idea, although I probably should have expected, that his life would extend to age 95. He was a remarkable man and one to whom I owe many debts. He is the only person who has ever hired me twice; once as his deputy at the Financial Oversight Commission and a few years later, when the work of the Commission had been completed, to come work for him at the World Bank. I remember Bruce as having a sharp wit, keen analytical mind and a terrific sense of humor. He could be a bit long-winded, but if you had the patience to concentrate until he was done you usually came away with profound appreciation for his insight and his wisdom. I was a great fan and mourn his passing.*

I am sorry to have missed the service in Chestertown, but would be grateful to be notified about the planned inurnment service at Arlington National Cemetery when details are available.

Rob Voight - January 18, 2017 at 09:36 AM

JR

Good afternoon, Rob. This is Jim Rohrbacher, Bruce's son. First, thank you for the nice comments about Dad. I think your assessment of Dad in the sort of environment you and he shared pegged him pretty good. You can imagine, as a teenager growing up with him, it was "...can we please just get to the penalty phase!?" But as I got older I came to appreciate our conversations more and more. He was a great Dad and we are missing him.

We just recently got a date at Arlington for the inurnment service - Monday, October 23rd at 11am. Visitors are requested to "muster" at 10:15am. I recall there's information on the cemetery website with details on where to meet up ahead of the service.

I'm not sure if my comments back to you show up on this website, but I'd be happy to provide any additional information as that comes available. I'd rather not provide my email through this website, but if you'd like to call to exchange contact information, feel free - (253) 951-4842.

Thank you again.

Jim

Jim Rohrbacher - May 11, 2017 at 01:03 PM