



## Christopher Sturm

October 12, 1933 - March 20, 2018

Christopher Pietro Sturm, Sr., 84, of Easton, MD, passed away peacefully in his home on March 20, 2018. Chris was born October 12, 1933, in Baltimore, MD, son of the late Ferdinand Hubert Sturm and Josephine Regina Vinci.

Chris grew up in Baltimore, MD, and graduated from Forest Park High School. He served honorably in the U.S. Navy. Following his military service, he earned a BA from The University of Baltimore.

He met Carolyn (Purdy) in 1956 while she was attending nursing school, and they married two years later. They lived in Baltimore County and started a family, then moved to Ellicott City, MD, where they spent many happy years. Relatives, friends, and neighbors loved to visit their home, and there was often something fun going on. Chris emphasized the importance of education, work, and recreation. Always willing to help with homework and give sage advice. Through the years he patiently taught his family how to play many sports including ice skating, skiing, and biking and found time to coach his children's softball, baseball and hockey teams.

Chris loved to go on summer vacations to the beach surrounded by his extended family. In the winter he loved going on ski trips with family and friends. Chris was a devoted husband and family man, loving father, great granddad, and good friend. He will be dearly missed.

Chris worked for 30 years with the U.S. Customs Service as an accountant/auditor. He had a strong work ethic and an equally strong play ethic! Ever the athlete, Chris spent much of his life engaged in physical activities such as ice hockey, skiing, golf and billiards. Following early retirement, Chris did not slow down. In fact, he challenged himself with new sporting activities including mountain biking and sailing. He also enjoyed rollerblading through the neighborhood in Easton, MD, where they lived for the past 13 years. He loved to start his day with the Sun crossword puzzle and in his leisure time he enjoyed reading, playing the guitar and cooking. Retirement also allowed more time to travel with Carolyn and go on three ski trips each year with his ski club. Skiing evolved into monoskiing which led to snowboarding at age 63 then onto "skibike" riding until age 80. His lifelong passion for ice hockey continued with the senior ice hockey club, the Gerihatricks. They won a gold medal in a senior tournament they hosted at The Gardens Ice House in Laurel, MD. Chris played hockey with them until age 81. He was an inspiration to all!

Chris will be remembered fondly for his quick wit, genuine grin, and endless enthusiasm. It was a pleasure to be in his presence. He was an amazing life coach demonstrating to others how to live, love, laugh and play...At Any Age!

He is survived by his loving wife of 59 years, Carolyn Sturm; daughters, Teresa Sturm and Susan Sturm and her husband, Eric Gardner; a son, Tony Sturm; grandchildren, Rachel Bradstock, Jackie Bradstock, Sami Sturm and Sky Sturm; a brother, Leo Sturm and his wife, Dottie Sturm; sister, Jeanne Berger; sister-in-law, Nell Sturm; and many cousins, nieces, nephews, and extended family. He was predeceased by his brother, Ferdinand J. Sturm, and his son, Chris Sturm Jr.

A celebration of life will be held on Saturday, April 14, 2018, starting at 2:00

PM. A reception will follow until 6:00 PM at the Easton Club East Community Club House, 29600 Lyons Drive, Easton, MD 21601.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in memory of Chris Sturm to Baltimore Youth Hockey Club, [www.byhc.org](http://www.byhc.org), or to Talbot Hospice Foundation, 586 Cynwood Dr., Easton, MD 21601.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

APR 14. 2:00 PM (ET)

Easton Club East Community Club House  
29600 Lyons Drive  
Easton, MD 21601

# Tribute Wall



“ *Christopher Sturm*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Christopher Sturm*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Christopher Sturm*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM