



Claude Dudley Boycott

January 22, 1923 - September 16, 2018

Claude Dudley Boycott, 95, died peacefully at his residence in St. Michaels, MD, on Sunday, September 16, 2018, surrounded by friends and relatives.

Mr. Boycott was born January 22, 1923, in McKeesport, PA, son of Claude M. Boycott and Alva E. Cederborg Boycott. He attended Sparrows Point High School and was married to Rose Keichenmeister Boycott who preceded him in death.

Mr. Boycott was an avid sailor from childhood. During WW II, he went to sea in the US Merchant Marine Service on the North Atlantic convoys as well as voyages around the world. He rose to the rank of Third Mate and after the war served in that capacity with the Bethlehem Steel fleet. After going to sea, he worked as an engineer at Bethlehem Steel Co.

In 1957, he ordered a Flying Dutchman from Holland which he successfully campaigned in the US. His sail designs became so popular that he subsequently started his own business, C. Dudley Boycott, Sailmaker. He was a member of several sailing clubs including Potapskut Sailing Association and North Point Sailing Association, and he ran the race committee for NPSA for many years on his yacht Myth. After moving to St. Michaels in 2016, Mr. Boycott donated his equipment to the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum and volunteered there as a sail making docent, demonstrating sail making

techniques and building or repairing sails and awnings for the museum fleet.

He is survived by his brother, Gordon Clifton; by his daughter ,Claudia Frantz, and son-in-law Dave Frantz; and by his grandson, LCDR Ryan Frantz, USN, F-18 pilot.

A celebration of life will be held on Sunday, October 14, 2018, at 12 – 2 PM at Miles River Yacht Club, 24750 Yacht Club Rd., St. Michaels, MD 21663.

Interment will be private.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum, 213 N. Talbot St., St. Michaels, MD 21663 for the construction of its new sail loft; or to Talbot Hospice, 586 Cynwood Drive, Easton, MD 21601-3805.

Previous Events

celebration of life

OCT **14**. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Miles River Yacht Club
24750 Yacht Club Drive
St. Michaels, MD

Tribute Wall



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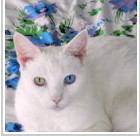
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“ Claudia, Dave, Ryan, and Gordon: I met "Mr. Dudley" one day when I was at Parrot's Point on my bicycle. He was outgoing and friendly and struck up a conversation with me. I immediately felt a connection with him. We had a nice conversation about St. Michaels and how he used to visit the area with his wife on their boat. In turn, I told him about my family's approximately 300-year history of living here. We would see each other occasionally as we were out biking, and one day I showed him where I lived and invited him to come by and visit any time. He would pop by fairly often and I was always happy to invite him in for good company and conversation. He liked to talk about his days at sea and was quite a storyteller. We also talked about the latest projects he was doing for the museum. I was heartbroken to learn that he has left us. It was a privilege to have met him and be able to call him my friend. My parents taught me to always respect my elders, so I never called him simply by his first name. He will always be "Mr. Dudley" to me. You have my deepest sympathy on the passing of this wonderful man.

Holly Fairbank

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