



David Wharton

October 7, 1938 - December 16, 2013

David Wharton, aged 75, passed away peacefully on December 16, at his home on Kent Island, Maryland.

David was raised in Keyport, NJ, and graduated from the University of Maine in 1960 with a BS degree in Wildlife Management. He enlisted in the Army in 1961 and was discharged in 1967 as a Captain. He received a Bronze Star for his service in Vietnam between May 1966 and May 1967.

David and his family settled in Maryland after his military service and started work with the State of Maryland as a fishery biologist in 1967 and retired as Chief of Inland Fisheries in 1989. David is survived by his wife of 52 years, Nanci, his three children, Brenda, Bruce and Marsha; his five grandchildren, Jennifer, Eric, Robert, Taylor and Brandon and his brother, Paul.

David loved the outdoors and was an avid fisherman, hunter, and golfer. His early years in New Jersey were filled with trout fishing in the spring, crabbing, striped bass (rock) and bluefish fishing in the summer and rabbit, bird, and deer hunting in the fall. His love of the outdoors drew him to the University of Maine and his chosen field of study and then to the Eastern Shore of Maryland “on the water” after his military service.

In his retirement years, he took up “Line Dancing” and enjoyed his favorite

country music. His golfing wasn't pretty to watch, but he was competitive in the 80's. David was affectionately known as "Chief" or "Coach" by his many friends and his buddies at the American Legion Post 278 Stevensville, MD. He was also a member of the Kent Island Elks Club, the Bay Country, Md Loyal Order of Moose Lodge 831 and the VFW Post 7464 Grasonville, Md.

Contributions in David's name in lieu of flowers may be made to:

Hospice of Queen Anne's Inc

255 Comet Drive

Centreville, MD 21617

or

Kent Island American Legion Post 278

800 Romancoke Road

Stevensville, MD 21666

For: Wounded Warriors Project

Previous Events

Memorial Service

DEC **21**. 12:00 PM (ET)

Chester Location / Kent Island
106 Shamrock Road
Chester, MD 21619
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Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of David Wharton* ”



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - January 10, 2023 at 08:52 PM



“ *David Wharton* ”

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *David Wharton* ”

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *David Wharton* ”

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM

DC

“ I am one of Chieftain's fraternity brothers who graduated with him in 1960 at UMO. Our class keeper of records and news and lost his obituary when his computer failed. Having just learned of Chiefs passing in Alumni news another brother chased down his obituary and sent it to us. That is why you did not hear from some of us. Any way I am sorry to hear of his death and not having seen him for close to 55 yrs. I wish he could have made the reunion. He was a great guy and yes enjoyed the outdoors. I am glad to learn of his military career and professional life. Best to his family and friends and sorry to hear of his passing

Dave "Clem" Clement- AGR 1960
magram@gwi.net

Dave Clement - July 20, 2014 at 12:10 PM

DW

“ We are so very sorry to hear that Dave has passed. He was a great person, that left his mark on everyone.
Sincerely,
Debbie and Keith Wheeler

Debbie Wheeler - January 03, 2014 at 12:11 PM

SK

“ Sweet peace Dave! John had so many wonderful stories about you and held you in such high regard. I hope you two can reconnect and play a round in heaven. Special hugs to your family. Sandy Klunk

Sandra Klunk - December 20, 2013 at 02:55 PM

MW

“ *Marlene Wheeler lit a candle in memory of David Wharton*



Marlene Wheeler - December 20, 2013 at 01:30 PM

LB

“ *Thoughts and prayers go out to the family. Love you guys. May peace be with you. Livingston and Christine Banks*



Livingston Banks - December 20, 2013 at 11:35 AM

PD

“ *Dave was a good friend and golfing buddy. When "Mr. Automatic" hit a drive, it may not have been too long, but straight down the middle. I will miss him. I wish his family peaceful memories and he will be in my prayers. Phil Donnelly*

Phil Donnelly - December 17, 2013 at 07:31 PM