



## Donald Anthony Ronayne

July 14, 1942 - April 9, 2012

Donald Anthony Ronayne of Kent Island, Maryland, passed away peacefully on Monday April 9, 2012 with Carol holding his hand and his nephew and niece Jim and Morgan Ronayne of Annapolis, MD at his side. He was 69.

Mr. Ronayne was born in New York. He graduated with honors from Yale University, studied at Sorbonne University in Paris, France, and received his Juris Doctor from Stanford University. He was a trial lawyer who opened his first practice in California. He also practiced in Idaho, Hawaii, New Jersey, and Maryland.

Mr. Ronayne was an avid sports enthusiast and spent many years as an athlete and coach. He was a passionate environmentalist and pro bono attorney who generously contributed his time, resources, and professional services to the causes he championed and his community.

He was a kind and devoted husband, son, brother, uncle, and friend. He is survived by his loving wife, Carol Fordonski, and sister, Judith Ronayne of Garden City, NY. He was loved by scores of nephews, nieces, in-laws and friends. He will be missed by many.

Per his wishes, all services will be private. Memorial contributions may be made to Chesapeake Cats and Dogs, 300A Island Professional Park,

Stevensville, MD 21666. <http://www.chesapeakecatsanddogs.org>

Funeral arrangements by Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnan Funeral Home, P. A. in Chester, MD. For online condolences, please visit [www.fhnfuneralhome.com](http://www.fhnfuneralhome.com).

# Tribute Wall



“ *Donald Anthony Ronayne*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Donald Anthony Ronayne*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Donald Anthony Ronayne*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM

MK

“ Dear Carol,  
So sad to hear about Don.  
As you know, we were teenagers together in Westhampton for several wonderful summers with Jim Glimm, living in a barn and just having fun.  
I will always remember Don as a handsome blonde lifeguard with white zinc oxide cream on his nose.  
He was so sweet and warm, a very lovely person to everyone.  
And he had a great sense of humor.  
I'm glad we all connected by phone recently. I wish we could have seen each other.  
I'll never forget Don.  
With sympathy and hugs,  
Mara Kurtz, NYC



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**Mara Kurtz** - June 10, 2012 at 04:25 PM

BG

“ Carol, my heart aches for you right now. I'm sending you virtual hugs and warmth until I see you in person. I will always remember when I met Don. You both were riding your recumbent bike in the Centreville Christmas Parade. He will be missed by many. Love,  
Jerry and Brenda Geesaman

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**Brenda Geesaman** - April 11, 2012 at 02:49 PM



“ Carol,

*I am so sorry to hear about the loss of your beloved husband. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time. With Sympathy, Warren and Kathy Wright*

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**Katherine Wright** - April 11, 2012 at 01:31 PM

JC

Carol,

*May you find comfort in the Native American belief that the stars in the heavens are our loved ones looking down us with love and guidance.*

*You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.*

*Jacki and Marv Carter*

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**Jacki carter** - April 12, 2012 at 07:40 PM