



Dr. William J. Banfield

February 2, 2007

A Funeral Liturgy for Dr. William J. Banfield, of Estero, Florida and Easton, Maryland will be celebrated at Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church, Easton, MD on Saturday, February 10th at 10 A.M. Dr. Banfield died on Friday, February 2, 2007 near his home in Florida. He was 65.

Born in Washington, D.C., June 14, 1941, he was the son of the late William L. and Gertrude Klinski Banfield. After graduating from Gonzaga College High School in Washington, D.C. in 1959, he attended the College of the Holy Cross in Worcester, MA where he graduated in 1963. He then attended the medical school at the University of Maryland, graduating in 1967. After serving a year as an intern at George Washington University Medical Center, he served, from 1968 until 1970, as a Captain in the U. S. Air Force at Clovis Air Force Base in New Mexico. Following his release from active duty, he did his internal medicine residency at the University of New Mexico Hospital in Albuquerque, New Mexico, completing his studies in 1972. From 1972 until 1974, he held an NIH Fellowship in Gastroenterology at the University of California Medical Center in San Francisco. Dr. Banfield became a Diplomate of the American Board of Internal Medicine in Internal Medicine in 1972 and in Gastroenterology in 1975. He was an Assistant Professor of Medicine at the University of California in San Francisco from 1974 until 1975 at which time he started a private practice in Wilson, North Carolina.

Dr Banfield returned to the Delmarva area in 1977 where he practiced in Easton, MD for 21 years before his retirement in 1998.

Professionally, he was a Fellow of the American College of Gastroenterologists, a Fellow of the American College of Physicians and a member of the American Medical Association. At the Memorial Hospital at Easton, he had served as Chief of Staff and the Chairman of the Credentials Committee and was a Cecil Awardee (for excellence in physician education). He was one of the founders of the Delmarva Healthcare Plan and a primary architect of the Physician Hospital Organization at the Memorial Hospital at Easton. Civically, he was a member of the Easton Elks Lodge #1622, Ducks Unlimited, and the Coastal Conservation Association and had served as President of the Senior Baseball League.

An avid outdoorsman, he enjoyed fly-fishing, golfing and time spent with his family. He will be deeply missed by his family and many friends.

Dr. Banfield is survived by his wife, the former Nancy Lee Campbell whom he married in November of 1967; a son, William C. Banfield of Easton; a daughter, Laura Ann Banfield and her husband, Daniel Kirkpatrick of Houston, TX; two sisters, Kathleen Hammond of Huntingtown, MD and Theresa Barnes of Rocky Mount, NC, two grandchildren, Calvin Kirkpatrick and Corinne Kirkpatrick; two nieces, Melanie Waun and Susan Marshall and a nephew, William Hammond. A sister, Mary Jo Dorough, is deceased.

Burial will be at the Oxford Cemetery, Oxford, MD

Memorial donations may be made in lieu of flowers to the Dr. William J. Banfield Memorial Fund for Youth Sports (to provide YMCA scholarships for underprivileged children) at the YMCA of Talbot County, 202 Peachblossom Road, Easton, MD 21601

Funeral arrangements are by the Fellows, Helfenbein and Newnam Funeral Home, P.A. Easton.

Tribute Wall



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October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



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January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



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