



Dr. Edward Erney Maher

November 25, 1933 - June 6, 2025

Erney Maher, M.D. of Chestertown, Maryland, died on June 6, 2025, at Heron Point, Chestertown. He was 91.

He was born in Catonsville, MD, on November 25, 1933, the seventh son and ninth of ten children born to the late Thomas F. and Florence O'Donnell Maher. He graduated from Loyola Blakefield High School, earned a B.S. in Biology from the University of Notre Dame, and received his medical degree from Georgetown Medical School. He was a veteran of the United States Air Force, having attained the rank of Major. On October 31, 1959, he married Margaret Carey.

In the early 1960s, Dr. Maher and Dr. Robert C. Irwin opened a pediatric practice in Catonsville and soon partnered with Drs. George Bauernschub, Will Standiford, and Jamie Kopper to establish the Catonsville Pediatric Center. The practice expanded to include many talented and dedicated doctors and generations of patients. Dr. Maher, who preferred to be called "Erney," was known for his dedication and care for his patients, particularly in helping parents and children navigate the challenges of adolescence and young adulthood. Erney was a beloved uncle to his many nieces and nephews.

Erney and Margaret loved to travel, particularly to Mt. Desert Island, Maine, where Erney spent many summers during his youth. He was an athlete who participated in various sports and outdoor activities throughout his life, including tennis, volleyball, racquetball, ping-pong, birding, canoeing, and

sailing. In 1990, Erney and Margaret relocated to Queenstown, Maryland, embracing “life on the shore,” and entertaining friends and family at their home on the Wye River. They eventually moved to Heron Point in Chestertown, where they remained active and engaged in the community. Erney was involved with several conservation organizations in Chestertown and supported numerous environmental causes. He was also a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Erney and Margaret enjoyed a devoted and happy 65-year marriage.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by his four children: Mary Evans (David) of Delray Beach, FL., Kevin Maher (Annie) of Atlanta, GA, Michael Maher (Robin) of Sykesville, MD., and Patrick Maher (Susan) of Towson, MD.; his sister Florence Cromwell of Santa Fe, New Mexico; and eight grandchildren and one great-grandson.

A Mass of Christian Burial will take place on Saturday, June 14th, at 10:30 AM at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 508 High Street, Chestertown, MD. Interment will follow at St. Peter’s Catholic Church Cemetery, 5319 Ocean Gateway, Queenstown, MD, at 3:00 PM. In lieu of flowers, the family encourages donations to ShoreRivers, an organization dedicated to protecting Maryland’s Eastern Shore waterways, at shorerivers.org.

Previous Events

Funeral Mass

JUN 14. 10:30 AM (ET)

Sacred Heart Catholic Church
508 High St
Chestertown, MD 21620-1314
(410) 778-3160

Burial

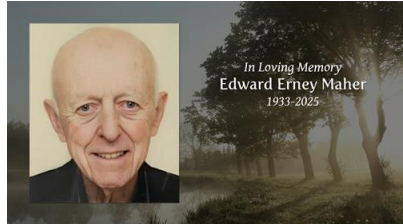
JUN 14. 3:00 PM (ET)

St. Peter's Catholic Cemetery
5319 Ocean Gateway
Queenstown, MD 21658

Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Dr. Edward Erney Maher* ”



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - June 13, 2025 at 08:32 AM

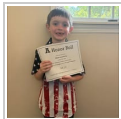


My deepest condolences to Margaret, Toot, Pat, Kevin, and Mike.

A truly wonderful husband, father, friend, and doctor. Erney was a true power of example to thousands. An extremely selfless man.

Rest in peace Erney

Francis Huppmann - June 15, 2025 at 09:56 AM



I just saw this! I'm going to turn 60 this year, and Dr Maher was my doctor. I was a baby, and the doctor that Mom had taken me to, had me on like 5 different medicines. I wasn't getting any better. Someone told my Mom about Dr Maher, and she took me there, and he took one look and said "this baby has an ear infection. Withdrew all the meds and gave me one medicine, and I was much better by the next day. He is THE BEST doctor that ever was or ever will be. He would never put you through anything that he didn't think was absolutely necessary (unlike the doctors today). He also was my daughter's doctor. She will be 34 this year. My prayers and condolences for the family. Know he was GREATLY loved, respected, and now missed.

Pam Hawkins

Pam Stephens Hawkins - October 07, 2025 at 01:39 PM

RH

“ My condolences to the family of Dr. Maher. My brother and I were patients of Dr. Maher when we were kids. He was at the hospital every day that I was admitted, 16 times in 8 years, 2 weeks stay each, due to a kidney disease I had. He came in the middle of the night when I had complications, held my hand when I was scared, a truly great man, thank you for always being there for us.

Randy Huffman - August 07, 2025 at 09:23 PM

SM

“ Pat: so sorry to hear of your dad's passing. What a giant in Catonsville who probably treat all of my friends that didn't go to Dr Irwin.
Your dad made such a lasting impact on so many.
Prayers for peace and comfort.

Sam Moxley - June 14, 2025 at 09:46 PM

TF

“ The Bowen Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dr. Edward Erney Maher.

The Bowen Family - June 14, 2025 at 07:25 AM

MH

“ Rest in peace you good, good man.

My thoughts are with you Margaret and Pat and Kevin and Toot and Mike as you lay Erney to rest today.

So many, many good memories. May those good memories sustain you in your grief.

Peace be with you one and all,

Michael Himes

Michael Himes - June 13, 2025 at 11:36 PM

RT

“ Robyn T. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dr. Edward Erney Maher.

Robyn T. - June 13, 2025 at 06:30 PM

MB

“ Melinda B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dr. Edward Erney Maher.

Melinda B. - June 13, 2025 at 01:46 PM

TM

“ Tam M. purchased the *Your Light Shines* for the family of Dr. Edward Erney Maher.



Tam M. - June 12, 2025 at 06:50 PM

CS

“ CHOA Cardiothoracic Surgery purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Dr. Edward Erney Maher.



CHOA Cardiothoracic Surgery - June 12, 2025 at 09:35 AM

CS

“ CHOA Cardiothoracic Surgery planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dr. Edward Erney Maher.

CHOA Cardiothoracic Surgery - June 12, 2025 at 09:35 AM

GL

“ Gloria L. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dr. Edward Erney Maher.

Gloria L. - June 11, 2025 at 10:31 AM