



## Emil L. LaCivita

April 9, 2003

Emil L. LaCivita, Band Director, Educator and Musician

Emil L. LaCivita, 77, Director Emeritus of the Kent Island Community Band died on April 19 at the Anne Arundel Medical Center in Annapolis.

Mr. LaCivita was born and educated in Youngstown, Ohio. In his college years he organized a dance band, the Emil LaCivita Band, which played twice weekly at a local ballroom in Youngstown.

He taught band and vocal music in Geauga County and Lowellville, Ohio until 1965 when he moved to Prince George's County, MD. He taught at Roger B Taney Junior High (now Thurgood Marshall Middle School) where his bands were renowned for their musicianship and maturity. In 1970 he became the Principal of the Evening High School at Bladensburg until his retirement in 1988.

In retirement, Mr. LaCivita moved to Kent Island and became the Conductor of the newly organized Kent Island Community Band. In the early 1990's he played weekly at Il Nedo restaurant in Cambridge and Eastbridge restaurant in Grasonville, Md. More recently, he formed the Gentlemen of Note with saxophonist, Hal Cessna and performed locally.

He is survived by his wife, Emily Harding LaCivita; his children, Laurel LaCivita of Washington, D.C., Amy LaCivita of Fairfax, VA, Lisa LaCivita of Annapolis, MD and Emil LaCivita, Jr. of Raleigh, NC; his step-children, Edson Beall of Laurel, MD, Nina Krzysko of Ellicott City, MD and Anne Luzier of Severna Park, MD; his first wife, Alice LaCivita of Oxon Hill, MD and thirteen grandchildren.

A funeral service will be held 12 Noon on Wednesday, April 23, 2003 at Christ Episcopal Church in Stevensville, MD. Family and friends may call on Tuesday, April 22, 2003 at the Fellows, Helfenbein and Newnam Funeral Home, P. A. in Chester, MD from 3PM to 5PM and 7PM to 9PM.

Interment will be in Broadcreek Cemetery in Stevensville, MD.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in his memory to the Kent Island Community Band, P.O. Box 601, Stevensville, MD 21666.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. LaCivita was my music teacher and band instructor at Taney Junior High in the late 1960s. I was always very fond of him, and I learned a lot about music and life from him. I played percussion but went on to play other instruments as well. My appreciation for music has been life long. Thank you, Mr. LaCivita. Your memory lives on in my heart.*

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