



Eric Ashton Mann

January 19, 1962 - November 20, 2024

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Eric Mann, beloved husband, father, brother, and friend, who left us at the age of 62. He passed away on Nov 20th, 2024 after a lifetime dedicated to service, kindness, and love.

Eric was a man who cared deeply about his family and his work. He proudly served his country as a military doctor briefly with the Army and largely with the Public Health Service as an Ear Nose and Throat surgeon. He later contributed his expertise to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), making long lasting contributions to public health and safety. Throughout his career, he touched many lives and worked tirelessly to improve the health and well-being of others.

Beyond his professional accomplishments, Eric was known for his kindness, patience, and meticulous nature. He had an unmatched attention to detail, often found using his labelmaker to

organize, label, and make life run just a bit more orderly. He was a master of setting up technology to perfection, including his insistence on placing phone screen protectors on each family member's phone to assure there were no bubbles.

As a father to three children, he was a steady and loving presence, always ready for an impromptu hard conversation, offering wisdom and advice when needed. He was a devoted husband to his wife, sharing a partnership built on mutual respect, love, and laughter. As a brother, he was a true friend—always there to listen and support.

Outside of work, Eric had a passion for the outdoors. He found joy in beekeeping, the quiet calm of fly-fishing, and the nurturing of his oyster garden. A lifelong reader, he also appreciated the peace of a good book, often getting lost in its pages. He had a unique sense of humor and an endearing lack of self-awareness when it came to his cringe-worthy falsetto singing voice and dance moves, which we all cherished.

Eric was a man who embodied grace, strength, and generosity. His presence in our lives was a gift, and while we will miss him dearly, we find comfort knowing his legacy of love and kindness will endure.

He is survived by his wife, Marianne, his three children, Cal, Harrison and

Elaine, and his
brother David and sisters Eileen and Jean.

A memorial service will be held on April 26th, 2025 with more information to follow. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to the Save the Bay foundation in his memory.

May his soul rest in peace, and may we all strive to live with the same kindness and care he demonstrated every day

Tribute Wall

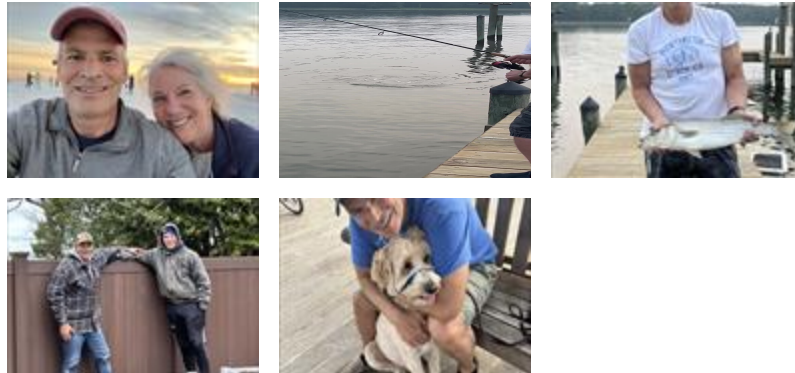
SB

“ *Just learning of Eric's passing. We are so sorry for your loss. We will always think of him when we are near the Chesapeake Bay-- where he was at peace. Sending comforting thoughts to you, Marianne, Cal, Elaine, and Harrison. Sandy Bargainnier and Steve Sawyer*

Sandy B - November 02, 2025 at 06:56 AM



“ *21 files added to the album Family Memories*



Marianne Mann - October 16, 2025 at 10:00 AM

CL

“ *I am so sad over the passing of Eric. He was a kind and calm presence in our Division for so many years and I often passed his office which was diagonally across from mine and we would wave hello to each other. He was also generous with opening his beautiful home to the Division for hosting holiday parties. I will deeply miss you, Eric.*

Carol Lin - December 05, 2024 at 09:17 AM

JC

The passing of Eric is, indeed, very sad news. We worked together at FDA and when my husband passed he came to my office in tears; such loving kindness. We all enjoyed many wonderful holiday parties at his beautiful home; he will be missed.

Jan Callaway - December 05, 2024 at 05:25 PM

HP

“ *There are no words to adequately express my sadness and sense of loss over the passing of my beloved brother-in-law Eric. Eric was such a joy to be around and always had so much to share regarding his many interests and hobbies. His knowledge of so many subjects was astounding and being in his company was truly delightful and a privilege. There was nothing Eric would not do for his family and he always made us feel special when visiting. My only regret is that we didn't spend more time together. Ironically, Eric passed on the birthday of the man who was the greatest influence in my life and the one who taught me what is most important and meaningful, my father, Dave Pinsker. November 20 was always a special date in my family's life and has now become even more so for the memory of two extraordinary men. Eric, you will always be remembered and cherished for countless reasons.*

Howard Pinsker - November 29, 2024 at 12:12 PM

NC

My heart is broken 💔 Eric was my fist boss. Marianne I will be praying for you and your family i have no words. I'm sorry. RIP Eric.i will always remember you.

Noemy simon (yapa) - November 29, 2024 at 09:17 PM

PP

This is difficult news to learn of. While we had only limited acquaintance with Eric, we know how much he meant to members of the family....particularly his sister (and our sister-in-law) Susan Kennell. To Susan, and husband Howard, we extend our love and hope you have the strength and support to get you through this tragic time.
Paul & Joyce Pinsker

Paul Pinsker - November 30, 2024 at 12:51 PM

LG

Marianne, I am deeply saddened to hear of the sudden passing of Eric. Please know that you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. May he rest in peace. 🙏

Lydia Gilbert-McClain - November 30, 2024 at 08:08 PM

RM

So very sorry for all the Mann family for their sudden loss, there are no words of comfort that can mend this for any of you, but may good memories of this dedicated family man and exemplary public servant come to the the fore and may the pain of your loss recede as those good memories flood back!

Robert Meyer - December 03, 2024 at 10:08 AM

RP

I am so sorry to hear of Eric's passing. I worked with him on occasion at FDA and found him to be an amazingly kind, patient, and thoughtful colleague. His opinion and expertise were highly respected, but the pleasure of working with him was unmatched. I wish I had known him better and for longer. My deepest condolences to the entire Mann family. Renee Petit-Scott

Renee Petit-Scott - December 04, 2024 at 08:01 AM

KP

We are incredibly saddened by the news of Dr. Mann's passing. At UConn, where he completed ENT residency, Dr. Mann is remembered for his kindness and honored for his contributions to the field and public service. His devotion to service is highlighted by his years through his years at the Army, NIH or FDA. Dr. Mann left his mark on our field as the Chief Medical Officer overseeing the approval process of ENT devices. He was always gracious to accept our invitations to come back as a speaker at UConn Alumni Conferences and remains an incredible role model for the residents and faculty. Please, accept our condolences and know that Dr. Mann will be missed by the entire ENT community.

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Kourosh Parham - December 04, 2024 at 01:14 PM

GE

Thinking of the Mann family during this difficult time, but holding Eric in our fondest memories of Porter Creek. He will always be a part of our corner of the world - a beautiful one that we know he loved. Take care of yourselves....

Germaine - December 07, 2024 at 08:32 AM