



Dr. George Weldon Strother

May 5, 1938 - November 11, 2024

George Weldon Strother, of Easton, MD, passed away on November 11, Veterans' Day, 2024. He was 86.

George was born in Rochester, PA, on May 5th, 1938, the son of George William Strother and Violet Jones Strother. Raised in Aliquippa, PA, with his brother James, he attended Hopewell Memorial High School, went to college at the University of Pittsburgh, followed by medical school at George Washington University. In 1965, George married Marianne Recla of Minersville, PA, having met as a medical student and nurse at George Washington University Hospital.

George's service as a Marine (1960-1963, reservist) and Navy (1963-1968, appointed to Medical Corps) was cherished, and his lifelong dedication to family and those in need of his expertise as a physician, loving son, husband, father, and grandparent defined him. Inside his wallet, he carried the necessities—a driver's license, an AARP card, and many photos of his grandkids. They were his priority.

His medical career included USNR Medical Corps (Norfolk, VA), D.C. General Hospital, Veterans Administration Hospital, Crozier-Chester Medical Center (Chester, PA), and Lee Hospital (Johnstown, PA) where he served as Chief of the Intensive Care Unit, Director of the Pulmonary Laboratory, and Chairman,

Department of Medicine. He enjoyed his retirement years in Easton, MD, since 1998.

He was an avid sports enthusiast and athlete his entire life, from his Hopewell HS quarterback and basketball days (Class of 1956), to his racquetball and running days in Johnstown, and to his tennis clubs in Easton and Chautauqua. The people he exercised with enriched his life and brought him joy.

George is survived by his beloved wife of 59 years, Marianne; along with their children Stuart (Julie), Pamela (Margaret) and Kimberly (George), and his grandchildren Owen, Oliver, Abby, and Kyle.

A visitation for George will be held in Mayville, New York, at Freay Funeral Home from 10am to 11am on Monday, November 18th, with a private burial to follow at Chautauqua Cemetery.

Donations in George's memory are suggested to: Critchlow Adkins Children's Centers in Easton, MD. (<https://cacckids.org/ways-to-give/>)

For full obituary and online condolences please visit George's tribute page at Freay Funeral Home in Chautauqua, New York (<https://www.freayfuneralhome.com/obituary/george-strother>)

Cemetery Details

Chautauqua Cemetery

Chautauqua, NY

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **18**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (est)

Freay Funeral Home
139 S Erie St
Mayville, NY 14757
<http://www.freayfuneralhome.com>

Tribute Wall



“ *I'm sorry to hear of George's passing. I played tennis with him many a time at Cross Court. He was a lovely man. Rest in Peace.*

Kevin Baum - November 29, 2024 at 02:39 PM

MS

“ *I'm so sorry to learn about George's passing. I'm grateful for the many fond memories we were able to share sailing on the lake. You will be missed!*

Meg Schweers - November 18, 2024 at 08:49 AM

JM

“ *We were so sorry to learn of George's passing. Our condolences to Marianne and the family. George was someone I could share many ideas and stories with. Our somewhat similar experiences with western Pennsylvania, our shared interest in the culture and history of Chautauqua, our appreciation of artists like Winslow Homer, and our thinking about political culture. I will miss those conversations and George. Your family will be in our prayers.*

Janet and Jeff Messing

Jeff Messing - November 17, 2024 at 09:28 AM

DS

It was a privilege to have known George while working at Lee Hospital. He was very respectful & kind to everyone & was dedicated to his Profession. My deepest heartfelt condolences to you Marianne.

Dolores Senastian - November 18, 2024 at 04:32 PM

TE

“ *Condolences to the family. We lost a good man. Gladys and Tom Ettinger*

Tom Ettinger - November 16, 2024 at 05:42 PM

KL

“ *Marianne & family, It was a distinct honor to meet George. I thoroughly enjoyed chatting with him. Keeping your family in my thoughts & prayers.*

Kathy Laughlin

Kathleen Laughlin - November 14, 2024 at 07:55 AM