



George Washington Combs Jr.

December 8, 2001

George W. Combs, Jr. of Trappe, MD died peacefully in his sleep at home on Saturday, December 8, 2001. He was 58.

Born June 21, 1943 in Greenport, Long Island, N.Y., he was the son of the late Capt. George W., Sr. and Frances Chasas Combs. He was a twelfth generation bayman from Long Island. His ancestors settled Hempstead, Long Island in 1644 and were bayman, boat builders, decoy carvers, market hunters, and guides who made their living on the bay.

George's love and humor will be greatly missed by his wife of years, Maria ; his son, George W. Combs of Easton; two daughters, Charlotte Combs and Maria Frances Combs, both of Tampa, FL and three grandchildren. He is also survived by his brother, Alvin Jack Combs, of Peconic, Long Island, NY.

A graduate of Massapequa High School, L.I., NY, he later served in the Naval Reserves as a SEABEE in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba and Rota, Spain from 1961 to 1967. George owned a bait and tackle store in Amityville, L.I., NY for 18 years before moving to Easton in 1989 to retire and be closer to family.

George was a historian and collector of antique duck stool, shore birds and artifacts of Long Island's rich waterfowling history. In his Baymen's Folk Art Studio in Trappe, MD, he created carvings that conveyed his heritage and

life's work on the bay.

A founder of The Long Island Decoy Collector's Association, he was the Chairman of the Master Classes and Exhibitor of Artifacts at the Waterfowl Festival. George was also a member of The Kiwanis of Amityville, L.I., NY, The Great Southbay Waterfowl Association, The Long Island Antique Gun Collectors Association, Inc. and an appraiser for the American Appraiser Association.

Prayer services will be held on Wednesday, December 12, 2001 at 4:00 PM at Fellows, Helfenbein and Newnam Funeral Home, P.A., Easton, MD where friends may call from 2 to 4 PM.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, December 14, 2001 at 7:00 PM at the Boyd-Spencer Funeral Home, Babylon, NY where friends may call from 1:00 to 3:00 PM and 5:00 to 7:00 PM.

Interment will be private.

Memorial donations may be made to Ducks Unlimited, One Waterfowl Way, Memphis, TN 38120.

Tribute Wall



“ George Washington Combs Jr.

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ George Washington Combs Jr.

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



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January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM