



Griffin Vann Canada Jr.

January 8, 1939 - December 31, 2025

Griffin Vann Canada, Jr. of Easton, Maryland, passed peacefully on New Year's Eve, December 31st, 2025, surrounded by his family.

Griffin Vann Canada, Jr. was born on January 8, 1939, in the District of Columbia to Elizabeth Donaldson and Griffin Vann Canada. Vann attended Bethesda-Chevy Chase High School and, upon graduation, served in the United States Army. He was a graduate of American University and the Washington College of Law in Washington, D.C. Practicing law in Rockville, Maryland, for over 50 years, Vann Canada was a partner with McKeever, Fitzpatrick & Canada before joining and retiring from the law firm of Miles & Stockbridge.

As a native Washingtonian and former resident of Potomac, Maryland, Vann was an avid football fan, a lifetime member at Congressional Country Club, a member of the Maryland Bar Association, a dedicated golfer, enjoyed his daily crossword puzzles, and walks with his dog.

He is survived by his wife of over sixty years, Edna L. "Jerry" Canada, daughters Mary Scott Canada (Martin), Susan (Canada) Somerville, Elizabeth "Patch" Canada (Chris), and his son, Griffin Vann Canada, III, three grandchildren, Noah, Grayson, and Sarah, his nephews and niece. He is predeceased by his parents and sister, Elizabeth Pampillonia, and his brother-

in-law, Dominick.

A service will be held on Saturday, January 17, 2026, at 11 am at Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church, 1214 S Washington St, Easton, MD 21601, and interment will be private.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in Griffin Vann Canada Jr.'s name can be made to the Talbot Hospice Foundation (<https://talbothospice.org/donate/>), 586 Cynwood Dr, Easton, MD 21601.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JAN 17. 11:00 AM (est)

Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church
1210 South Washington Street
Easton, MD 21601

Tribute Wall

HG

“ Vann a very close friend. Vann, as one attorney friend of mine stated “A top flight professional attorney, the best”
Vann helped my wife and myself with numerous legal issues. As we left his office his answer to, what do we owe you? Was “lunch”.
BCC grads Vann and I go back many years. I was lucky enough to attend his fun filled wedding in the Norfolk area. So many parties- We partied at his brother in laws home in Bethesda until the AM early morning hours numerous times.
Vann, not only a true pro attorney, was an excellent swimmer. Again, I was lucky Vann called me to be a lifeguard at the Washingtonian Pool in Gaithersburg, MD. Vann would pick me up on his way. We rode in his Volkswagen north on 70S at that time to the hotel and pool, laughing all the time. Vann was very fastidious; at the pool I watched him measure the chorine content and check pumps and equipment before opening.
What a summer we had saving little kids that played dead mans float to Vann helping save swimmers from their overly aggressive activity in the deep end and off the diving board.
A top flight swimmer Vann took his superior skills of winning to the court room.
He was a good cook and golfer too—so many skills. I loved Vann. I know Vann’s wife Jerry like all of us will so miss him.
Hal Gearhart

Hal Gearhart - January 20 at 04:43 PM

AP

“ Andrew P. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Griffin Vann Canada Jr..

Andrew P. - January 18 at 09:03 PM

TF

“ The Treadway Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Griffin Vann Canada Jr..

The Treadway Family - January 16 at 12:45 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Griffin Vann Canada Jr..



January 16 at 12:45 PM

RM

“ Rick & Denise Mayo purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Griffin Vann Canada Jr..



Rick & Denise Mayo - January 15 at 09:30 AM

RM

“ Rick & Denise Mayo planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Griffin Vann Canada Jr..

Rick & Denise Mayo - January 15 at 09:30 AM

JB

“ I have fond memories of Mr. Canada from the time I attended CEDS and Holy Child with Mary Scott. I remember well Mr. Canada's presentation to our 8th grade class on the three branches of Government. On many occasions, Mr. Canada drove us to the movies, the roller-skating rink, and our favorite outing, the White Flint mall. My deepest sympathies go out to your family. Joan Brault

Joan F. Brault - January 14 at 11:35 PM

FS

“ Friday Bible Study planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Griffin Vann Canada Jr..

Friday Bible Study - January 11 at 02:44 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Griffin Vann Canada Jr..



January 11 at 02:44 PM

CF

“ My sincere condolences to Jerry and the whole Canada family. I have fond memories of meeting Vann and staying with him and Jerry at their home during a difficult time in my life. They both made me feel so welcome and cared for. I enjoyed our many conversations about faith, art and other subjects over breakfast, lunch and dinner. My husband and I continue to keep you all in our daily prayers and are so sorry we can't be with you in person for the funeral as we had wanted to.
Sending you our love from Leesburg
Catherine and Michael Fetterman

Catherine and Mike Fetterman - January 10 at 05:44 PM

JM

“ I send my deepest sympathy to Jerry and his family. Vann and my husband, Will, were close friends and I remember many fond memories they shared, especially, while he lived in Potomac. My thoughts and prayers are with you all today for the memorial service and as you grieve the loss of this fine man.
Janie McNamara

Janie McNamara - January 10 at 04:50 AM

NH

Sending my heartfelt sympathy and condolences to Jerry and family.

Nancy Hoffman - January 16 at 06:31 PM

NH

Wish I could attend tomorrow to support you and the family. You will be in my thoughts and prayers.

Nancy Hoffman - January 16 at 06:32 PM

DF

“ I’m very sorry for your loss. Van was my friend through golfing at Hog Neck. He was a mentor to this fledgling golfer and we walked the course together many times during our Monday morning senior league play. We last spoke this fall and he said his family were all close by and he was hanging in there. I am away for the winter but will be with you in spirit for his service. I too, will miss him. Doug Firth

Douglas Firth - January 09 at 08:17 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Griffin Vann Canada Jr..



January 08 at 01:57 PM

RO

“ Robert,Amy,Gia,Roman+Adriana-Dorazil planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Griffin Vann Canada Jr..

Robert,Amy,Gia,Roman+Adriana-Dorazil - January 08 at 01:57 PM