



## Howard Miles Deardorff

May 10, 1928 - March 29, 2009

Howard M. Deardorff died Sunday morning, March 29th, 2009, at his home in Stevensville. He was 80 years old.

Born May 10th, 1928, to Mae and Henry Augustus Royal Deardorff, in Trenton, NJ., Howard was a graduate of Lafayette College in eastern PA, class of 1956, with a degree in government studies. He served in the Navy during WW II and was a member of the American Legion in Stevensville, MD.

For the majority of his life, he enjoyed working for the pet industry. He was a training director for Docktor Pet Centers, Inc., for 15 years. Howard was the director of research and education for the Pet Industry Joint Advisory Council in Washington, DC.

He enjoyed hunting, fishing, gardening, cooking, and playing cards with family and friends. Howard was a great father, husband, and mentor/teacher to many.

Family and friends may call on Thursday, April 2, 2009 at Fellows, Helfenbein and Newnam Funeral Home, 106 Shamrock Road, Chester, MD from 6 to 8 pm. A funeral service will be held on Friday, April 3, 2009 at Christ Episcopal Church, 830 Romancoke Road, Stevensville, MD at 11 am.

Howard is survived by his wife Jeanette, his son Howard M. Deardorff, Jr., his daughter, Kimberly Bailey, and three grandchildren; Howard III, Kelli Jo, and Joseph.

We thank you, in advance, for any memorial contributions made to Hospice of Queen Anne's Inc., 255 Comet Drive, Centreville, MD 21617.

# Previous Events

## Service

APR 3. 11:00 AM (ET)

Christ Episcopal Church (Kent Island)  
830 Romancoke Road  
Stevensville, MD

# Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Howard Miles Deardorff* ”



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**Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home** - March 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *Howard Miles Deardorff* ”

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October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Howard Miles Deardorff* ”

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January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Howard Miles Deardorff* ”

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January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



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*Don Whiteley. Howard was my boyhood friend. We grew up together in Lakeside and Yardville Heights. We went to Lafayette College together and were in the same fraternity. We were very close, particularly right after WW II of which we were both Navy veterans. We hung around together, discussed our girl friends and assorted other subjects. He was in my wedding party and I attended his first wedding. After college, we went our separate ways but kept in touch on occasion. I last saw Howard when he was in Washington several years ago. A few months ago I sent him an article about Nottingham Academy (which he attended) and got back a note telling me "I have cancer, courtesy of R.J Renolds - maybe 6 months left." I wrote back that I wanted to come visit but I guess it was too late. I have several pictures of us together and sent them to him a year or so ago. I will certainly remember Howie with fondness for the many hours we "bummed around" together and shared our growing up joys and concerns*

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May 18, 2009 at 11:23 AM



“ Dad,

*Just wanted to say I miss ya, and we all loved you dearly. I am now faced with a void in my life that can never be filled. However, I am blessed with a fantastic wife and children. You are always in our hearts and mind. I hope you and Grandpop are playing cards and kicking them! I love you Dad, see ya in a few.*

*Jr.*

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April 12, 2009 at 10:20 AM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. It was a pleasure to have been a part of Mr. Deardorff's life. You all are a wonderful family. He was truly blessed, as I know you were by him.*##imported-begin##*Marci Konkiel, RN*##imported-end##

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April 04, 2009 at 10:29 PM



“ We're very sorry to hear of your loss of Howard! We had been out of town for several days in California and didn't get your message right away.. called you a couple of times but you were quite busy 'm sure I'm new at this computer stuff so bear with me! Howie was always Dearie to me and since our afished together we were companions in many escapades....such as..we went to school together in high school..he went to Lafayette Colledge in Bethlehem, Pa and went to Muhlenberg Colledge in Allentown, Pa..we enjoyed some Frat life together...We both worked for the NJ State Prison as Tower Guards during ou summers off aqs well as chasing the girls at the summer shore. There are many other escapes..but one I have to sare now..being avid duck hunters any time the weather looked bad we would head or the Jersey shore..Barnagat Bay ..also anytime we went hunting anywhere would stopat the nearest diner...This one day we saw louset weather and headed for the shore where we were hunting was along way out into the Bay..about 1/2 mile over a long road..and the about same distance wading out to the duck blind.....the weather was great.blowing wind up 25-35 mph..scattered rain blowing by we were in hog heaven but in potential deep Kimshei at the same time..after about an half hour we noticed the water was rising..since we had taken our smart pills for breakfasy..we decide to abandon ship as Anchors Aweigh Deardorff would put it1 We waded back to the car and by the time got to it we had to Drive back over the road which rapidly becomind in navigable...BEar With Me The Punch Line is Coming..safely ashore we decided to hit the local diner..during ehich we decide continue hunting on in inland lake...after which we hit the Diner again...getting home about seven pm I was greeted by my mother"Where have you been? Thank God you're alive! Huh? We we duck hunting you knew that!" "Don' t you know there is a major storm almost a hurricane out there!" HUH? Your father is down at the shore alerting the Coastguard to look for you? HUH? We didn't see any of that and we're smart enough to take care of ourselves...want to buy the Brooklyn Bridge? Any how alls well that ende well! My dad called up from the shore about an hour later and i answered the phone needless to say he was relieved as was

*Dearies dad who was with him to hear we were safe at home...I didn't ask him what Dearie wanted me to say."What the Hell are you doing down at the shore when there's ahurricane coming..WE had it all enjoyed every minute of it when we were together!!!!!!!!!!!!!! I'll be in touch soon...Our prayers our with you and for Howard!! george and Evie##imported-begin##George@Evelyn Doll##imported-end##*

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April 03, 2009 at 07:26 PM



“ Howard and family,

*Please accept our deepest condolences for your loss.*

*- Don and Mary Woodward##imported-begin##Don Woodward##imported-end##*

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April 01, 2009 at 08:36 AM



“ Howard will truly be missed. He was my dad - Jim Davis' best friend and was known to us and our extended families as Uncle Howard. Thanks to all the great memories and laughs especially about all those so called hunting trips and we will never forget all those oyster dinners. Now Howard and Jim will be reunited again.##imported-begin##Matthew , Trisha (Nicole and Matthew)Davis##imported-end##

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March 31, 2009 at 08:50 PM



“ I wish to express my deepest sympathy to you and the family. He was a nice person to talk to and he always had a funny joke to tell me. I think he always got a kick out of, jokingly, calling me a BRAT. Those fun things and sayings are what makes a good man and a good friend. He will be missed.##imported-begin##Janet Wolf##imported-end##

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March 30, 2009 at 10:36 PM