



James R. Lyons

October 6, 1935 - June 30, 2021

James Roger Lyons, U.S.N. Cdr. (Ret.), of Annandale, died Wednesday, June 30, 2021, at INOVA Hospital. He was born in Easton on October 6, 1935, to the parents of William Raymond Lyons and Sara Rittenhouse Lyons.

James (who went by Roger) graduated from Easton High School and attended Johns Hopkins University before entering the United States Naval Academy and graduating in 1958. He married his beloved wife, Katherine Johnston Lyons, and completed sea duty before attending Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute to earn a Civil Engineering degree and join the U.S.N. Civil Engineer Corps. During his naval career he was stationed in Virginia, South Carolina, Vietnam, Spain, Rhode Island, and Washington D.C, the last where he earned an MBA from George Washington University. His naval experiences included: a brief stint following the Galveston (CLG-3) from port to yard and back, preparation for facilities for the Poseidon system and the Air Force's C5A, and later taking command of the U.S. Naval Mobile Construction (Seabee) Battalion 40 in Guam. He returned to the D.C area and was stationed there until retiring from the Navy. He then embarked on his second career with George Washington University as the Director of Facilities and Planning. With GWU he managed design, construction, and maintenance of the university's real property until his final retirement.

Mr. Lyons loved golfing, hunting, fishing, and his family. He is survived by his

wife Katherine, two children: Kate and John, and four grandchildren: Chris, Daniel, Virginia, and Michelle.

A funeral service will be held in Easton, MD on Thursday, July 8, 2021, at Fellows, Helfenbein, and Newnam Funeral Home at 11:00 AM. Burial will be private.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to:

Wounded Warriors Project.

<https://support.woundedwarriorproject.org/>

Wounded Warrior Project, P.O Box 758516, Topeka, Kansas 66675-8516

Previous Events

Viewing

JUL 8. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home
200 S. Harrison Street
EASTON
EASTON, MD 21601

Service

JUL 8. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



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“ *James R. Lyons*

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“ *James R. Lyons*

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“ *James R. Lyons*

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