



## James Aldridge Valliant

January 15, 1934 - June 22, 2016

James Aldridge Valliant, of St. Michaels, MD, died on June 22, 2016, at Heron Point. He was 82. Born in Nebraska on January 15th, 1934, to the late Rev. James Valliant and Vesta McCarthy Valliant, he moved to St. Michaels within weeks of his birth and always considered himself a native of the Shore.

Mr. Valliant attended St. Albans School, Washington, DC, in his formidable years and graduated from Johns Hopkins University.

His career included a dental hygienist for the 82nd Airborne in the Korean War; Deputy Director of the Iowa Commission for the Blind, and an active member of the National Federation of the Blind; overseas buyer of European ornaments for the Whitehurst company; owner and operator of Talbot House Inc; a manufacturers sales rep firm of Christmas decorations and owner of the Blue Swan, a Christmas store in St. Michaels, MD.

His love of St. Michaels brought him back to area upon retirement. He kept busy with the community in an effort to preserve the historic nature of the town and its' environment.

A quote from his high school yearbook described him best then and followed him through the years stating that, "He can often be heard arguing for the practical side on any dispute." Mr. Valliant generously shared his vast

knowledge of history, was always generous of his time with others, held himself and others to high expectations, and had a wonderful sense of humor and a true presence of excellence. He will be missed by all who knew him.

A celebration of his life will be held privately at a later date.

# Cemetery Details

**Private**

# Tribute Wall



“ *James Aldridge Valliant*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *James Aldridge Valliant*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *James Aldridge Valliant*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Growing up in Olney, I long considered Jimmy to be the brother I never had. He was so kind to the little girl (also an only child, but who was 3 yrs & 8 mos younger than he) who had such a crush on him! He was always kind, gentle, & a good friend. We also both loved “the National Cathedral “, its music, & friend/mentor Richard W. Dirksen. I shall always miss him. Rest In Peace, Jimmy.*

**Yvonne Field** - October 14, 2018 at 04:08 PM



“ *We send condolences. Jim Valiant was a good friend and an important contributor to the community during the short time we knew him.*

*Jim and Mary Burdick*

**james burdick** - June 27, 2016 at 08:05 AM

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“ I WORKED FOR MR.VALLIANT FOR 7 1/2 YEARS AT TALBOT HOUSE & VERY MUCH ENJOYED THE WORK THERE & THE PEOPLE I WORKED WITH AT THAT TIME. MR. VALLIANT WAS A VERY FAIR BOSS & HE WILL BE GREATLY MISSED BY THE VERY MANY FRIENDS & ACQUINTANCES HE MADE OVER HIS 82 YEARS.

*MAY HE REST IN PEACE!*

*LOVE, SHEILA TYLER*

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**SHEILA TYLER** - June 24, 2016 at 02:04 PM