



Dr. John B. McCarthy

January 14, 1931 - July 4, 2012

Dr. John B. McCarthy of Easton died on July 4, 2012 at Talbot Hospice House after a lengthy battle with cancer. John and his wife Ruth had resided in Easton since 2002.

John was born January 14, 1931 in Mt. Kisco, NY, the son of the late John and Bernice McCarthy. He graduated from Brewster, NY High School in 1946 and Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine in 1952. In 1989 he earned a Masters in Business Management from Long Island University. After Veterinary College he served in the U.S. Air Force in Germany where he met and married his wife Ruth. On the day he died, they celebrated 58 years of marriage. John owned two animal hospitals and practiced veterinary medicine from 1954 until 1990, first in Carmel, NY and then at the County Animal Hospital in New City, NY. In 1990, he and Ruth moved to Washington DC where he was employed by the American Veterinary Medical Association until 1995. Subsequent to that, he established an educational consulting firm in Washington where, among other endeavors, he taught and advised students at veterinary colleges in St. Kitts and Grenada until his retirement in 2009. During his life, John was active in many veterinary organizations. He served as a member of the Board of Directors of the NYS Veterinary Medical Society from 1966 to 1975 and as its President in 1974. He served as a member of the Board of Directors on the American Animal Hospital Association from 1976 to 1985 and as its President in 1983-1984. John was also a Founder and Distinguished Practitioner Member of the National Academy of Practice in

Veterinary Medicine, one of ten veterinarians in the country so named. John served as the Executive Director of the National Academies of Practice from 1995 to 1998. He was a sixty year member of the American Veterinary Medical Association and served on its House of Delegates from 1984 to 1987. He was also a Member of the Society for Veterinary Medical Ethics and the American Society of Association Executives.

John was a Rotarian from 1957 to 1994 and served as President to two Rotary Clubs with extensive involvement on Rotary District International Service Committees. In 1976, he was presented with a Paul Harris Fellowship by his Rotary Club in New City, NY.

John was a Member of the Board and President of the Chelsea Landing Land Owners Condominium Association in Arlington VA from 1993 to 1997 and as a Member of the Board of Directors and President of the Mallard Ridge Condominium Association in Easton from 2003 until 2010. He also served as the Executive Director of the Talbot River Protection Association from 2003 to 2005.

John was the author of three books and several articles pertaining to management practices in veterinary medicine and was a frequent speaker on those topics. He had been recognized and awarded for his service and dedication by the New York State Veterinary Medical Association, The American Animal Hospital Association (AAHA), The National Academies of Practice and the Student AAHA of St. Georges University School of Veterinary Medicine in Grenada.

John is survived by his wife, Ruth, of Easton; daughters, Karen and Heidi; sons-in-law Anthony Costantino and Edmund Knyfd; and grandchildren, Nicholas Costantino and Meghan and Erin Roy. He is also survived by his brother, William McCarthy, and sister-in-law Rosemary of St. Johns MI.

A memorial service will be held on Friday, July 13 at 1:00 PM at the Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, 200 South Harrison Street, Easton, MD. A private family burial will be held at a later date in Carmel, NY.

In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be made to Cornell Veterinary College's

Class of 1952 Scholarship and mailed to Cornell University, College of Veterinary Medicine, Box 39, Ithaca, NY 14853 or to the Talbot Hospice Foundation, 586 Cynwood Drive, Easton, MD 21601. Please note that your gift is in memory of Dr. John B. McCarthy.

Previous Events

Service

JUL 13. 1:00 PM (ET)

Easton Location
200 South Harrison Street
Easton, MD 21601
(410) 822-3131
info@fhnfuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Dr. John B. McCarthy*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Dr. John B. McCarthy*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Dr. John B. McCarthy*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Dear Ms. Ruth, you and your family are in my prayers. I enjoyed being your social worker while at Shore Home Care & Hospice. Dr. McCarthy will always hold a special place in my heart. Warm Regards, Becky Hall*

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