



John Pynn

January 2, 1932 - June 22, 2010

John N. Pynn, Korean War Veteran and patented medical device engineer, passed away at home with his family in Sherwood, MD Tuesday afternoon, June 22, 2010, following a long, gallant, and courageous struggle with cancer. He was the husband of Ann Marie (Syron) Pynn for the past fifty-five years.

Born in Staten Island, NY seventy-eight years ago, he was the son of the late, William H. and Merida (Pittman) Pynn. He graduated from Newark College of Engineering with a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering. A veteran of the Korean War, he served in the U.S. Navy on the USS Wasp and the USS Bennington and was honorably discharged in 1954.

After graduation, he worked for International Nickel in Sterling Forest, NY, Welch Allyn in Skaneateles Falls, NY, and Johnson and Johnson's Ethicon Endosurgery division in Somerville NJ and Cincinnati, Oh. John held several medical device patents for his work at both Welch Allyn and Johnson and Johnson.

John was an avid volunteer who was deeply involved in nature, especially the water. He was a Boy Scout Troop Leader in Ringwood, NJ and Skaneateles, NY for many years enjoying camping, hiking, birding, woodworking, and woodcraft. He volunteered at the Cincinnati Nature Center where he lead Wildflower and Trail Conservation programs as well as Farm Animal

management. John and Ann retired to the Maryland Eastern Shore in 1997 where he was happy to find the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum. He held the distinction of having reached over 4000 hours as a Docent. There he found many relaxing hours at the Model Boat Guild demonstrating his craft, teaching visitors, and enjoying friends alike.

He was a great hobbyist and outdoorsman throughout his life. An explorer, he traveled the United States of America and Canada with his wife, Ann, taking back roads, scenic highways, and roads less traveled. Always active, John completed the historic canoe routes, Seven Carries and Thirteen Carries, in the Adirondack Park with his son, Michael, when he was in his early seventies. John also traveled with Michael to Belize for a Fly Fishing trip. John was an avid cyclist and could be seen, until recently, on his bike logging miles along the bike trails. He could also be found gazing at the stars many nights with his daughter, Kate, as both found the heavens quite fascinating. John had a lifetime love of boats, in particular sailboats, and dedicated much of his time to crafting models and maintaining his boats. A kite maker and model plane craftsman, he saw beauty and grace in air currents and thus loved to sail in his sailboats.

His faith and church were also important to him. John became a Catholic in 2007 and found great community and comfort at the St. Michael's Mission Church.

Above all he was devoted to his family, loved them with all his heart, found great joy in their accomplishments, and delighted in the time spent with his grandson, Max Pynn.

In addition to his wife Ann Marie, he leaves a son Michael John Pynn and his wife Amy Marie of Centreville, MD, a daughter Katharine Ruth Pynn, a sister Irene Supino and her husband Joseph of Las Vegas, Nevada, a brother-in-law

and best friend John Joseph Syron and one grandchild, Max.

A funeral liturgy will be held in the St. Michael's Mission Church, 109 Lincoln Avenue, St. Michaels, Maryland at 10:00 am on Monday, June 28. Relatives and friends are invited to attend.

Burial will be private.

Calling hours will be at the Fellows, Helfenbein and Newnam Funeral Home, P.A., 200 South Harrison St. Easton, MD 21601 on Sunday, June 27 from 3:00 – 5:00 pm.

Memorial contributions may be made in John's memory to the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum, Navy Point, P.O. Box 636, St. Michaels, MD 21663 - <http://www.cbmm.org/>.

Arrangements by Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A. in Easton, MD.

Previous Events

Service

JUN **28**. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Michaels Mission Church
109 Lincoln Avenue
St. Michaels, MD

Tribute Wall



“ *John Pynn*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *John Pynn*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *John Pynn*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Please accept our condolences on the loss of your loved one. Our thoughts & prayers go out to all the family at this most difficult time.*

We thank you for John's service to God & Country and please know that in August of this year in Bennington, Vt., at the Ship's Bell Monument, John shall be remembered and the bell will toll in his memory.

John may be gone from us- but as long as his memory remains in just one of us, he shall be remembered always.

With My Deepest Sympathy,

Joseph Pires

USS Bennington Historian

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July 07, 2010 at 09:00 PM



“ *During this difficult time everyone in our family will be thinking of you all. You are in our thoughts, prayers and hearts as you meet the days ahead. We wish you peace, joy and rest as you reflect and celebrate the life of John N. Pynn.##imported-begin##The Flack Family##imported-end##*

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“ *Mrs. Pynn, Mike, Kate and extended family members,*

I am very sorry for your loss. I am glad that he is now at peace. He fought a long battle with grace from all the reports I have heard. I still have many wonderful memories of your home on Tracy Drive including the piano in the basement, the see-saw out back, and the "camp outs" in the back yard. My memories of you and Mr. Pynn are interspersed in those thoughts.

Know you are in my prayers and thoughts

Liz##imported-begin##Liz Vinzant-Kelly##imported-end##

June 23, 2010 at 09:01 PM



“ *We are so sorry for your loss.
Our thoughts and prayers are with your family.##imported-begin##David and Michelle Fenno##imported-end##*

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