



## John Rowland Reisinger

December 22, 1942 - June 7, 2021

EASTON, Maryland - John Reisinger passed away on June 7, 2021 with his family by his side. John was a loving husband, devoted father and proud grandfather. Born to Margaret and Rowland Reisinger on December 22, 1942, John attended Baltimore Polytechnic Institute and received an engineering degree from the University of Maryland in 1966. He married the former Barbara Gorsuch in 1965 and they had 56 wonderful years together. Upon graduation from the University of Maryland, John entered Officer Candidate School with the United States Coast Guard. During his time with the Coast Guard he was initially stationed in Boston, Massachusetts and later worked in Greenland and Mount Desert Island, Maine. Their daughter, Karen Rebecca, was born during his time in Boston. John completed his Coast Guard service as a Lieutenant Commander.

The family returned to Maryland in 1969 and John was initially employed as a civil engineer with Purdum & Jehske, P.A. in Baltimore. During his time in the private sector, he had the opportunity to work on infrastructure projects in Lagos, Nigeria. John later entered government service with Baltimore County where he served as Buildings Engineer and obtained a Master of Public Administration from the Fels Institute of Government at the University of Pennsylvania.

After his retirement, John and Barbara had the opportunity to travel

extensively and John published several books. They relocated from Sparks to St. Michaels in 1999 and were fortunate to be able to see their granddaughters, Allie and Kristin, grow up. A true renaissance man, John loved to write, play guitar, read, paint and woodwork. He appeared as a guest on several television shows and gave public talks on a variety of topics. Friends and family could count on one of John's personalized cartoons for birthdays and other special occasions. He will be deeply missed by many.

John is survived by his wife, Barbara, daughter, Karen Ketterman, son-in-law, H.P. Ketterman, grandchildren, Allie and Kristin Ketterman, sister, Carol Duffy and brother-in-law Michael Duffy.

Interment will be private, and plans are being made for a Remembrance Service to be held later in the summer. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Mid Shore Pancreatic Cancer Foundation, Inc. P.O. Box 474, Easton, Maryland 21601. MSPCF, Inc. was incredibly supportive to John and his family throughout his illness. Additional information is available at [www.midshorepancan.org](http://www.midshorepancan.org).

# Previous Events

## Open House

AUG **14**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

ACTS-Bayleigh Chase  
501 Dutchman's Lane  
Easton, MD 21601

# Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of John Rowland Reisinger*



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**Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home** - August 09, 2021 at 06:04 PM



*This is so beautiful!! I keep watching it and loving it more every time.*  
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**Melani Henkle** - August 16, 2021 at 01:57 AM



“ *John Rowland Reisinger*

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October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *John Rowland Reisinger*

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January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM

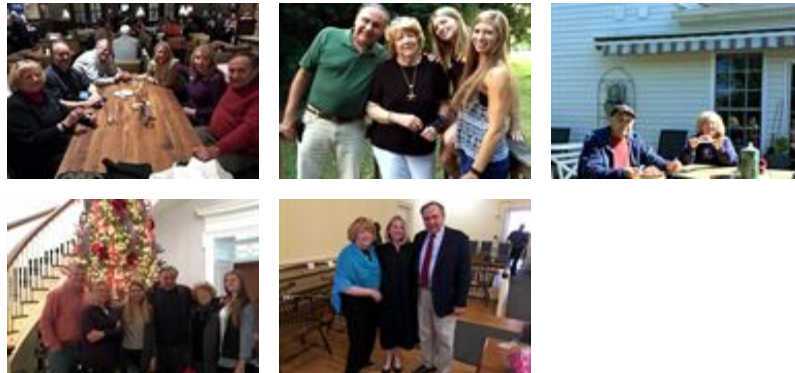


“ *John Rowland Reisinger*

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January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



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Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - July 22, 2021 at 10:50 AM



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Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - July 22, 2021 at 09:23 AM



“ *Sorry to hear of John's passing. I knew John from ECE Men's Daytrippers. At our 2019 annual dinner. I mentioned that I planned to visit Poland and John sent me two articles he had written about Poland saving Western civilization not once but twice.*

*Barbara, I will miss those travel conversations with John as well as reading your articles and travel advice in the ECE Beacon. May John rest in peace.*

*Bryan Mueller*

Bryan Mueller - June 21, 2021 at 05:55 PM

SH

“ We were deeply saddened to learn of John's passing. He was an accomplished and amazing person and neighbor. May your fondest memories sustain you during this difficult time. Our deepest sympathies to Barbara and family. - Sheila and Joe Accongio

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**sheila** - June 21, 2021 at 01:08 PM

SL

“ John was a listener, often quiet but always observing. Eventually he would come out with a one-liner that would make everyone laugh. When we played Trivial Pursuit, we wanted him on our team - when he didn't have the answer, Barb would chime in.

*For several years, John was crew on Sawdust, managing the main. Barb was always on shore waiting for the boat's return, whether we won or lost (well, in truth - we never won).*

*We will treasure our memories of John, so grateful he was our friend.*

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**Sue Lachenmayr** - June 21, 2021 at 09:00 AM

LS

“ We are so sorry to hear of John's passing. He was a wonderful friend and neighbor. We send our condolences to Barbara and family during this difficult time. Howard and Lynne Sinder



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**Lynne Sinder** - June 17, 2021 at 11:18 PM

PF

“ *Phil Foster lit a candle in memory of John Rowland Reisinger*



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**Phil Foster** - June 13, 2021 at 03:16 AM

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“ *We just heaed the news today and were deeply saddened. He was a kind man. Please know that you are in are hearts and prayers.*  
*Russell Loock and Family*



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**Kimberly Loock** - June 12, 2021 at 04:55 PM