



John Oliver Gallup Darrow

March 10, 2004

John Oliver Gallup Darrow of Oxford, MD died at Memorial Hospital at Easton, on Wednesday March 10, 2004. He was 77.

Born in Western Maryland on June 30, 1926, he was the son of the late James E. and Virginia Gallup Darrow. As a child he and his family moved to Oxford where graduated from the Oxford School in 1939, he then attended Easton High School where he graduated in 1943, after which he attended Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore for one year before joining the U.S. Navy. Following his release from active duty in 1947, he attended the University of Michigan, graduating in 1949 with a degree in Electronic Engineering. After graduating he worked at various jobs until taking a position with the Union Switch and Signal Co., a manufacturer of Railroad signals and switches, of Pittsburg, PA. Mr. Darrow remained with this company where he worked extensively in the U.S., Europe and South America during which time he received 44 letters of patent for failsafe designs from the Railroads. He retired in 1984. In December 2003 he and his wife, the former Loretta Baron, whom he married in Dearborn, Michigan in 1949, moved to Oxford.

Mr. Darrow had a passion for antique clocks, he loved to collect and repair them, he also loved classical music. His memberships are to include; the National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors, Chapter 37 of Pittsburg, PA., where he twice served as Vice President and served as President three

times. He was also a member of, and sang with the Oratorio Society, the Mendelssohn Choir, where he served on the audition committee for a time, the Bach Choir and the Shadyside Chorale all of Pittsburg, PA.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Darrow is survived by two daughters, Catherine Virginia Darrow and her husband William Chester of Denver, Co, and Dorothy Seth Darrow and her friend David Darrow of Seattle, WA; a sister, Seth Shannahan Jewell of Oxford, MD; and one grandson, Derek John "Rick" Darrow. He was pre-deceased by a son, John O.G. Darrow, Jr., and a daughter, Elizabeth Ann Darrow.

Graveside services will be held at the Oxford Cemetery, Oxford, MD on Saturday, March 13, 2004 at 11:00AM.

In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to the American Institute of Kidney Cancer Research 1234 Sherman Ave. Evanston, IL. 60202-1375

Arrangements are by Fellows, Helfenbein and Newnam Funeral Home, P. A.

Tribute Wall



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October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *John Oliver Gallup Darrow*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



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January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM