



Joseph Augustus Besso, Jr.

October 2, 1942 - September 24, 2010

Dr. Joseph A. Besso, Jr., 67, of St. Michaels, died on Friday, September 24, 2010 at his residence in St. Michaels. Born in Haverhill, MA, he was the son of the late, Joseph Augustus Besso, Sr., who died September 24, 2010 in Florida, and the late, Katherine C. Besso.

Dr. Besso graduated from The University of Vermont with a BA and a PhD. He was a member of Sigma Phi Fraternity. He served his post doctoral fellowship at Albert Einstein College of Medicine in the Bronx, NY. He was a Grasse Fellow at Woods Hole Marine Biological Laboratory. Dr. Besso was a Professor of Biological Sciences at North Texas University in Denton, TX. After leaving Texas, he was employed for over 17 years as an executive with Pall Corporation in E. Hills, NY. Dr Besso returned to college and graduated in 1998 from Saba University School of Medicine. He opened his Family Practice in St. Michaels in 2004, retiring in 2009. Dr. Besso also served in the United States Air Force from 1960-1963. He enjoyed sailing, golf, and cooking.

He is survived by his wife of 41years, Nancy E. Besso of St. Michaels; a daughter, Christine Parish and her husband, Andrew, of St. Michaels; a son, Michael Besso of CT; 6 siblings, Bruce Besso, Katherine Wolownik, Sue Bradley, Margaret Besso-Zitzer, Virginia Hersey, and Andrew Besso, four grandchildren, Adison Parish, Spencer Parish, Nicole Kasper, and Michele Kasper, several nieces and nephews, and a special friend, Barbara Baker. He

was preceded in death by a daughter, Caroline Kasper, a grandson, Drew Parish, and a niece, Marnie Bragg.

Services will be private in Oxford Cemetery, Oxford, MD.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum, 213 N. Talbot Street, P.O. Box 636, St. Michaels, MD 21663, or Talbot County Humane Society, 7894 Ocean Gateway, P.O. Box 1143, Easton, MD 21601.

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

Tribute Wall



“ *Joseph Augustus Besso, Jr.*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Joseph Augustus Besso, Jr.*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Joseph Augustus Besso, Jr.*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Our deepest sympathy goes out to all of those that knew and loved Joe, especially Nancy and Christine. We were saddened to hear of Joe,s passing. No one we knew was more intelligent and passionit in everything he pursued. We will always remember our times together at CYC, the BVI cruise and other special get-togethers.##imported-begin##Bill & Nancy Flynn##imported-end##*

October 16, 2010 at 11:15 AM



“ *I will always remember the great times we had. You were a good friend to my parents and a great Dad to one of my best Friends. You even made a high school girl want to have evening dinners with you, Nancy, Chris and my parents over anything else. My heart goes out to all those you left behind. Love Tish##imported-begin##Tish Moore##imported-end##*

October 16, 2010 at 10:45 AM



“ Joe, will miss your phone calls and your nice cards that always kept us in touch
Dennis & Phyllis###imported-begin###Dennis & Phyllis
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“ Correction from previous visitation....He always took such great care of his Patients.
Gayle Keen###imported-begin###Gayle Keen ###imported-end###

September 29, 2010 at 11:38 AM



“ I am truly sorry to read about Dr. Besso. As a former patient of his, I was so sad to move away from the area and not have him as my Dr. anymore. He was truly caring and always took such good care of his patience.
May he Rest in Peace.
Gayle Keen
Clayton, NC###imported-begin###Gayle V. Keen###imported-end###

September 29, 2010 at 11:33 AM



“ Rest in Peace my dearest Joe. I think of you everyday and will love you forever. What we had was "Grand and Glorious"!!! As you used to ask me "Do you know how much I love you?" I know that you loved all your family and friends. You were just amazing and I am so blessed to have been a part of your life.###imported-begin###Barbara Baker###imported-end###

September 28, 2010 at 09:19 AM