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It is with deep love and sadness that we announce the passing of Lawrence Frederick George Murkin, beloved husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, and friend.

Born on October 9, 1935, in Hargrave, Suffolk, England, Lawrence—known affectionately as Laurie in his younger years—was the youngest of eight children born to Jonah and Kate Murkin. He grew up in the family home, Birds End Cottage, alongside his brothers Arthur, Victor, Morris, Alan, Tony, and Oliver, his sister Peggy (who survives him), and his half-sister Kath.

After proudly serving in the Royal Air Force, Lawrence began a new chapter of his life when he met Susan, the love of his life, through her mother, for whom he used to style hair. The two shared an instant connection and, after a two-year courtship, married on October 8, 1960. Together, they embarked on an adventure that would define their lives—leaving their small country town for opportunities abroad. Lawrence’s work took them to the United States, where they settled with their nine-month-old daughter in search of a brighter future.

Lawrence was the proud father of Zara Murkin Cowan and Ashley Kate Merton, and the devoted grandfather of Matthew Cowan, Mikayla Mountain,

Ellie Merton, Josie Merton, and Devin Merton. This summer, he was overjoyed to become a great-grandfather to Brooks Mountain.

Known to his family as Pop Pop, Lawrence was a man of warmth, generosity, and laughter. Outgoing and endlessly sociable, he had a gift for making everyone feel welcome. He loved being surrounded by family and friends, and his joy for life was most evident during the holidays—especially Christmas. In his younger years, Lawrence’s adventurous spirit shone through his love of travel and entertaining. In his later years, nothing brought him greater happiness than spending time with his family, sharing stories, and celebrating life’s everyday moments.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Heart Association in his memory. A private celebration of life will be held at a later date to honor the remarkable life and loving legacy of Lawrence.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Bob And Phyllis Hoffman sent a virtual gift in memory of Lawrence F. George Murkin*



**Bob and Phyllis Hoffman** - November 01, 2025 at 03:39 PM

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*Susan. Sorry to hear about Lawrence. I still love his car. Prayers and blessings to your family at this time. He will be missed. God bless. Bob and Phyllis*

**Bob and Phyllis Hoffman** - November 01, 2025 at 03:41 PM

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“ *Lynda And Gene Palmatary, Centreville sent a virtual gift in memory of Lawrence F. George Murkin*



**Lynda and Gene Palmatary, Centreville** - October 30, 2025 at 10:16 AM

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*Susan: sorry to hear of your husband's passing. Know you have many great memories that will help make the road a little smoother. Prayers and blessings to you and your family. Thinking of you. Lynda Palmatary*

**Lynda and Gene Palmatary, Centreville** - October 30, 2025 at 10:18 AM

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“ *R. I. P. Lawrence*

*Our thoughts & prayers are with you & your family.*



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**Friends at Brightview** - October 27, 2025 at 03:40 PM