



Captain Maurice Downey Dashiell Sr.

December 8, 1936 - June 6, 2024

Captain Maurice D. Dashiell, Sr., aged 87, of Grasonville, MD, peacefully passed away on June 6, 2024, at GBMC in Towson, MD.

Born on December 8, 1936, in Baltimore, MD, Maurice was the son of the late Thelma Downey Dashiell and the late Walter T. Dashiell, and the youngest of three children. He spent his formative years in Baltimore and Rock Hall, graduating from Patterson Park High School, where he played football and contributed to the team's victory in the M.S.A. Championship of 1954.

In December 1957, Maurice wedded Blanche Wilhelmina Middleton, whom he had known since his youth in Rock Hall. Together, they nurtured two children, Sandy and Maury, in Lutherville, MD. Upon their children's graduation, they returned to their beloved Eastern Shore and settled in Grasonville, MD.

During his teenage years, Maurice spent summers in Rock Hall which were marked by valuable lessons from his uncle, Splint Downey, who mentored him in fishing, crabbing, hunting, and life's broader teachings.

Throughout his life, Maurice wore many hats, including serving as a referee for NCAA lacrosse and football, receiving recognition with the Maryland Board of Football Officials A. Paul Menton Memorial Award in 1979. His professional journey led him to Wahmann Manufacturing, a stainless steel company, in Timonium, MD, where he rose to the position of Vice-President before retiring.

Post-retirement, Maurice earned his Captain's License, indulging his passion for the water by operating fishing charters on the "Mary C. III" and "Miss Alex," as well as crabbing parties on the "Miss Brittany" and guiding waterfowl hunting expeditions. He also served as a ferry captain in St. Michaels and Baltimore's inner harbor.

A dedicated member of numerous organizations, including the Boumi Shriners and affiliated clubs, Scottish Rite of Maryland, Masonic Lodge (Sharon), and the Royal Order of Jesters Baltimore Court #82, Maurice found fulfillment in service and camaraderie.

Maurice proudly served our country in the US Army and was honorably discharged in 1963.

His entire life centered around the Chesapeake Bay – boating, fishing, crabbing, and hunting. Maurice's priority was always his family and he made sure they knew that. He was loyal and committed to the Shriners and the many lifelong friends he made through the years.

Maurice is survived by his loving children, Maury Dashiell and wife Melissa, Sandy Hoffman and husband Michael; grandchildren, Brittany Sones and husband Taylor, Brendon Dashiell and wife Lauryn, Brady Dashiell and girlfriend Macy Smulley, Matthew Hoffman and wife Maria, Alexandra Hoffman and boyfriend Andrew Fisher; great-grandchildren, Logan Hoffman and Parker Macall Sones.

A commemorative service celebrating Maurice's life will take place at Fellows, Helfenbein and Newnam Funeral Home located at 408 S. Liberty Street, Centreville, MD, on Tuesday, June 11, 2024. The viewing will be held from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m., followed by the service at 10 a.m. Following the service, a luncheon will be hosted at the VFW located at 203 VFW Avenue, Grasonville,

MD. A private burial will then be held later that day at Wesley Chapel Cemetery in Rock Hall, MD.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to
Boumi Shrine Crippled Children's Hospital Transportation Fund
5050 King Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21237

Cemetery Details

Wesley Chapel Cemetery

6179 Rock Hall Road
Rock Hall, MD

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 11. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A.
408 S. Liberty Street
Centreville, MD 21617

Funeral Service

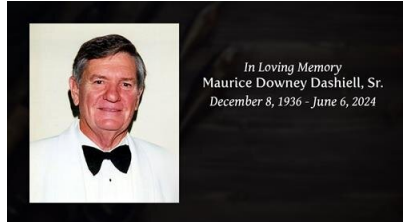
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Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Captain Maurice Downey Dashiell Sr.* ”



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - June 10, 2024 at 02:08 PM

JM

“ *Jeff Morris lit a candle in memory of Captain Maurice Downey Dashiell Sr.* ”



Jeff Morris - June 25, 2024 at 09:59 AM

AN

“ *Amy Nickerson lit a candle in memory of Captain Maurice Downey Dashiell Sr.* ”



Amy Nickerson - June 16, 2024 at 01:53 PM

GP

“ Gene And Lynda Palmatary sent a virtual gift in memory of Captain Maurice Downey Dashiell Sr.



Gene and Lynda Palmatary - June 10, 2024 at 11:04 AM

GP

What a good friend to many that has left. Maurice would keep people laughing and his stories were awesome. He loved his Masonic Lodge and his other organizations he helped with for many years. You will be missed good friend. RIP. Gene and Lynda Palmatary, Centreville.

Gene and Lynda Palmatary - June 10, 2024 at 11:07 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Captain Maurice Downey Dashiell Sr..



June 10, 2024 at 09:57 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Captain Maurice Downey Dashiell Sr..



June 09, 2024 at 08:46 PM

LS

“ Larry and Dina Serfas purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Captain Maurice Downey Dashiell Sr..



Larry and Dina Serfas - June 09, 2024 at 09:23 AM

RK

“ We will miss you "Uncle" Maurice. We loved reading your stories and your remembrances of your family, Rock Hall and East Neck. And laughing with you! Love to you, your family and friends.

Robin Wood K - June 08, 2024 at 02:58 PM

OG

“ Maurice was a very



oan gray - June 08, 2024 at 01:16 PM

JH

“ Will surely be missed! His sharing of joy and laughter was always uplifting!

Jo Hill-Kittle - June 08, 2024 at 10:31 AM

TS

“ Tracy Schulz lit a candle in memory of Captain Maurice Downey Dashiell Sr.



Tracy Schulz - June 08, 2024 at 10:04 AM

TS

What a great man. Maurice would always keep you laughing and was fun to be around. He had a lot of good stories to tell and enjoyed life to the fullest.

Tracy Schulz - June 08, 2024 at 10:08 AM

KD

“ I have so many memories. He and your mom and my parents went out of town once. He was testing a new rat cage for work. He asked me to feed them. One of my scariest moments. Still laugh about it now. But my most favorite was when he gave me away at my wedding. I didnt know until I spoke with him at Christmas that my dad realized he wouldn't be alive at the wedding and asked Maurice to represent him. He told me jokes all the way down the aisle!! I really loved both of your parents. They will truly be missed but happy they are together again❤️

karen dougherty - June 07, 2024 at 06:53 PM