



Melvin Douglas Specht

August 26, 1918 - February 11, 2022

Melvin "Mel" Douglas Specht passed away peacefully at Queenstown Landing in Queenstown, MD, on February 11, 2022. He was 103 years old.

He was born on August 26, 1918, to the late Phares Douglas Specht and the late Margaret Wolford. He grew up in Milton, PA, in Northumberland County with family, aunts, uncles and cousins. He attended and graduated from the Milton school system.

Throughout his life he enjoyed woodworking and made grandfather clocks, rocking horses, kitchen hutches, tootstools, a variety of knick knacks, and painted items. He loved animals, especially dogs, but also raised rabbits, fish, and birds with his children.

His career was with G.C. Murphy Company, and he worked there until his retirement. He and his family experienced numerous relocations during his career which took them to various areas of Pennsylvania, Indiana, and Maryland. Before retirement he was assigned as the District Manager for the Baltimore Washington District, and he resided in Severna Park, MD. Once retired he remained in Severna Park until 2019 when he went to the Eastern Shore.

After retirement Melvin enjoyed playing golf and continued doing many more

woodworking projects. He traveled for golf vacations around the world, and, when home, he played at the Chartwell Golf and Country Club in Severna Park.

Along with his parents, he is predeceased in death by his beloved, Frances J. Tessein Specht; as well as Marcelle Gerson Specht; his four brothers, Eric, Arthur, Allen and Ralph Specht; and his sisters, Margaret Reeder (Learnon) and Mary (Joseph) Finck; and a stepson, Glenn Gerson.

He is survived by two daughters, Frances (Robert) Hacker and Margaret (John) Fuller; his son, Melvin Douglas Specht; stepson, Joseph Gerson; granddaughters, Maureen Beck, Jennifer Cooke (Van) and Kristin Kryder (Mike); three step granddaughters; eight great grandchildren, Meghan, Molly and Mara Beck, Samantha and Morgan Cooke, and Ryan, Nathan and Colin Kryder; and four step great-grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to Compass (Hospice), 160 Coursevall Drive, Centreville, MD 21617. Mr. Specht will be cremated, and a Celebration of Life will be held at a later date.

Tribute Wall



“ *Melvin Douglas Specht*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Melvin Douglas Specht*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Melvin Douglas Specht*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Melvin was a brother to my Uncle Arthur through his wife, Mary. I've done the genealogy of their family and you can find it on [familysearch.org](https://www.familysearch.org). I remember many of his family members and his parents. A great family and Melvin's family can be very proud of their heritage.*

Anna Stern - January 19, 2023 at 07:14 AM



“ *Yellow Sunflowers (Silk Cemetery Flowers) was purchased for the family of Melvin Douglas Specht.*



March 02, 2022 at 05:36 PM

JC

“ Jennifer A Cooke lit a candle in memory of Melvin Douglas Specht



Jennifer A Cooke - February 24, 2022 at 09:26 AM

MC

“ I am so very sorry for your loss. You are a beautiful, strong, and resilient family and I'm sure you have a lifetime of memories to remember him by.

Mary Emily Cooke - February 15, 2022 at 07:40 PM

LG

“ May his memory be a blessing for all his loved ones.



Lisa Galyean - February 15, 2022 at 09:22 AM

PE

“ Peggy lit a candle in memory of Melvin Douglas Specht



Peggy - February 14, 2022 at 01:24 PM

AS

“ Ashley lit a candle in memory of Melvin
Douglas Specht



Ashley - February 14, 2022 at 11:41 AM