



## Morton "Tony" Gibbons-Neff III

April 26, 1939 - January 26, 2024

Morton (Tony) Gibbons-Neff, III, age 84, of Chestertown, Maryland died peacefully on January 26, 2024 surrounded by his family.

Tony was born in Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania on April 26, 1939 to Florence and Morton Gibbons-Neff, Jr. He grew up on the family farm, Clovelly, in Devon, PA and graduated from The Haverford School in 1957. He attended Cornell University and transferred to Washington College when his parents moved the farm to Chestertown in 1959. There, he and his father operated a large grain and black angus operation. In the late 90s, his son Stormy joined the family business and expanded the operations to include a tree nursery and landscaping services.

A true patriot, Tony served proudly in the Maryland National Guard from 1960-1968 and was honorably discharged as a Staff Sergeant. He was a member of the American Legion Preston Ashley Post 228.

Throughout the years, Tony enjoyed sailing and racing with family and friends on the Chesapeake Bay and in New England and Florida. Tony loved the Eastern Shore life, including hunting, fishing, and, of course, crabbing. Born an Eagles football fan, he later held season tickets to the Baltimore Colts, and left us as a Ravens fan.

Tony served on the Board and as President of Kent & Queen Anne's Hospital Foundation. He also supported countless conservation and agricultural organizations including Ducks Unlimited, the Chesapeake Bay Foundation, Chester River Foundation, Sultana Education Foundation, National Corn

Growers Association, Maryland Farm Bureau, and American Nursery & Landscaping Association.

Tony married the love of his life and best friend Donna Pennington in 1965 in St. David's, Pennsylvania. He is survived by wife, his daughter Amy Hitt (David), his son Stormy (Michelle), four grandchildren (Davis and Henry Hitt, Lauren and Spencer Gibbons-Neff); his brother Henry (Easton, Maryland) and a multitude of cousins, nieces, and nephews whom he loved dearly. He is predeceased by his parents and brothers Mitchell (Darien, CT) and Peter (Rosemont, PA).

The family would especially like to thank all the wonderful caregivers and friends who helped them navigate life's challenges with dignity, faith, and humility.

A celebration of life will be held on Saturday, April 27 starting at 2:00 pm at Clovelly Farm in Chestertown.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to Echo Hill Outdoor School at <http://www.ehos.org/>, Sultana Education Foundation <https://sultanaeducation.org/>, or U.S. Patriot Sailing <https://www.uspatriotsailing.org/>.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

APR **27**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Clovelly Farm  
301 Clovelly Ln  
Chestertown, MD 21620

# Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Morton "Tony" Gibbons-Neff III.*



April 23, 2024 at 07:05 PM



“ *The Haverford School Class of 1957 mourns the loss of our classmate Tony and sends our sympathies to Donna and the entire Gibbons-Neff family.*

**Ted Rauch** - February 11, 2024 at 09:31 AM



“ *So sorry for your loss.*

**Linda and Russell** - February 04, 2024 at 12:35 PM



“ *Linda And Russell lit a candle in memory of Morton "Tony" Gibbons-Neff III*



**Linda and Russell** - February 04, 2024 at 12:34 PM

GC

“ Gene & Lynda Palmatary, Centreville. sent a virtual gift in memory of Morton "Tony" Gibbons-Neff III



Gene & Lynda Palmatary, Centreville. - February 02, 2024 at 04:36 PM

RH

“ Robin Merchant Hawthorne sent a virtual gift in memory of Morton "Tony" Gibbons-Neff III



Robin Merchant Hawthorne - February 01, 2024 at 08:00 AM

AM

“ Abe& Amy McGinnes lit a candle in memory of Morton "Tony" Gibbons-Neff III



Abe& Amy McGinnes - January 31, 2024 at 06:40 PM

AM

Very sorry for the families loss. Mr. Tony will be greatly missed. Thoughts and prayers to all.

Abe& Amy McGinnes - January 31, 2024 at 06:43 PM

JT

“ Donna and family, My deepest condolences for your loss.

Jen Teat - January 31, 2024 at 06:23 PM

LM

“ So many wonderful memories of a great guy and a fantastic family, all-around!

Lynn McLain - January 31, 2024 at 05:03 PM

RJ

“ Robin Joiner lit a candle in memory of Morton "Tony" Gibbons-Neff III



Robin Joiner - January 31, 2024 at 03:33 PM

RB

“ RUDOLF BITTER lit a candle in memory of Morton "Tony" Gibbons-Neff III



RUDOLF BITTER - January 31, 2024 at 03:18 PM

GC

“ Gail Claggett sent a virtual gift in memory of Morton "Tony" Gibbons-Neff III



Gail Claggett - January 31, 2024 at 02:59 PM

RL

“ Robin L Leager lit a candle in memory of Morton "Tony" Gibbons-Neff III



Robin L Leager - January 31, 2024 at 02:28 PM

SM

“ To Donna and Amy , sure miss the cow pond regattas and racing against tony!!Big hugs. Stevie Mac/ Steve Mclaughlin.

steve mclaughlin - January 31, 2024 at 12:33 PM

CR

“ Big hug to Donna and the rest of the Gibbons-Neffs!! (I'm not sure if Tony is sailing thru the clouds of Heaven or driving a tractor thru them - but whatever he chose, he is having a BALL and looking down on his loved ones!!!) Skip and I send our love (Cathy Middleton - now Raphael - and Skip Middleton in NC)

Cathy Middleton Raphael - January 31, 2024 at 11:42 AM

JH

“ Jenny Hall lit a candle in memory of Morton "Tony" Gibbons-Neff III



Jenny Hall - January 31, 2024 at 10:08 AM

BL

“ *Brenda & Larry Lyons lit a candle in memory of Morton "Tony" Gibbons-Neff III*



**Brenda & Larry Lyons** - January 31, 2024 at 08:45 AM

BL

*Brenda and Larry Lyons*

**Brenda and Larry Lyons** - January 31, 2024 at 08:46 AM

LS

“ *Linda Schmidt lit a candle in memory of Morton "Tony" Gibbons-Neff III*



**Linda Schmidt** - January 31, 2024 at 08:41 AM

JK

“ *Jack And Debbie Kemp lit a candle in memory of Morton "Tony" Gibbons-Neff III*



**Jack and Debbie Kemp** - January 31, 2024 at 08:36 AM

SL

“ *So sorry to hear. My condolences to family. He was a great man.*

**Sandy Loller** - January 31, 2024 at 08:31 AM



“ Karen Dodd lit a candle in memory of Morton  
"Tony" Gibbons-Neff III



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**Karen Dodd** - January 30, 2024 at 09:39 PM



“ Bill Spencer lit a candle in memory of Morton  
"Tony" Gibbons-Neff III



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**Bill Spencer** - January 30, 2024 at 08:45 PM



“ LORI BUTLER PERRY lit a candle in memory  
of Morton "Tony" Gibbons-Neff III



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**LORI BUTLER PERRY** - January 30, 2024 at 08:43 PM



“ Chip Heaps lit a candle in memory of Morton  
"Tony" Gibbons-Neff III



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**Chip Heaps** - January 30, 2024 at 07:17 PM

MS

“ Mike Sipala lit a candle in memory of Morton "Tony" Gibbons-Neff III



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**Mike Sipala** - January 30, 2024 at 07:16 PM

JE

“ Joshua Elbourn lit a candle in memory of Morton "Tony" Gibbons-Neff III



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**Joshua Elbourn** - January 30, 2024 at 05:09 PM

TB

“ Thelma Bright lit a candle in memory of Morton "Tony" Gibbons-Neff III



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**Thelma Bright** - January 30, 2024 at 04:30 PM

TB

*Donna and family, prayers are with you and your family at this sad time.*

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**Thelma Bright** - January 30, 2024 at 04:32 PM

DB

“ Donna, Amy, Stormy and family,  
So sorry for your loss of Tony. He was a kind, wonderful man with a  
great sense of humor. Know that you are all in our thoughts and  
prayers at this most difficult time. Sending love and hugs to all. ❤️

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**Diane E Baxter** - January 30, 2024 at 04:09 PM

CT

“ Carroll Thompson lit a candle in memory of  
Morton "Tony" Gibbons-Neff III



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**carroll thompson** - January 30, 2024 at 04:09 PM

JS

“ Janet Seward lit a candle in memory of  
Morton "Tony" Gibbons-Neff III



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**Janet Seward** - January 30, 2024 at 04:03 PM

GS

“ Greg Starkey lit a candle in memory of Morton  
"Tony" Gibbons-Neff III



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**Greg Starkey** - January 30, 2024 at 03:59 PM

BB

“ *Barney & Kaye Barnes lit a candle in memory of Morton "Tony" Gibbons-Neff III*



Barney & Kaye Barnes - January 30, 2024 at 03:48 PM

NG

“ *Nancy Greenwood lit a candle in memory of Morton "Tony" Gibbons-Neff III*



Nancy Greenwood - January 30, 2024 at 02:51 PM

SK

“ *I am so thankful that my early years were shared with, and influenced by, the likes of the Neff family. From going to school with Amy & Stormy, to fun 'Sailing Lessons' days spent at the Neff home along the river, to my first job out of High School working for Tony's parents, they'll always be memories I happily recall. Sending prayers to the entire Neff family and hoping they find comfort in their beautiful memories from a wonderful man.*

Sean Kille - January 30, 2024 at 02:49 PM

MK

“ *Donna, Amy , Stormy and family, So sorry to hear about Tony. Our family was blessed to be neighbors for many many years. He was always one of the first to offer help or check on how we were doing. My thoughts and prayers are with everyone during this sad time. Margaret Cohey Kaufman*

Margaret Kaufman - January 30, 2024 at 02:26 PM

LP

“ Lee Phillips lit a candle in memory of Morton "Tony" Gibbons-Neff III



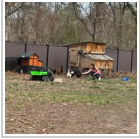
Lee Phillips - January 30, 2024 at 02:05 PM

SM

“ Donna, I'm so sorry to hear this. He was always so nice to us in SDS/PACU even when he was in pain. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Suzie Miller



Suzie Miller - January 30, 2024 at 12:52 PM



“ So sorry for your loss. Caitlyn Swan RN



Caiti Swan - January 30, 2024 at 12:31 PM

MF

“ So sorry to hear about Tony! I remember telling jokes in cardiac rehab. He always had a smile and determination! My thoughts and prayers for Donna and family.



Marilyn Ford - January 30, 2024 at 11:40 AM

TF

“ We were deeply saddened to hear of Mr. Tony’s passing. He is a kind soul and will be tremendously missed. We will keep his family and friends in our thoughts and prayers.  
Love, The Baillie family



The Baillie family - January 30, 2024 at 11:35 AM

FL

“ We were very saddened to hear of Tony's passing. Keeping all of you in our thoughts and prayers.



Frankie and Cathy Legg - January 30, 2024 at 11:17 AM

SR

“ Sandra Rust lit a candle in memory of Morton "Tony" Gibbons-Neff III



Sandra Rust - January 30, 2024 at 11:08 AM

JS

“ Jeanette Stubbs lit a candle in memory of Morton "Tony" Gibbons-Neff III



Jeanette Stubbs - January 30, 2024 at 11:00 AM

TS

“ *The Clark's - Cody, Cindy & Shane lit a candle in memory of Morton "Tony" Gibbons-Neff III*



**The Clark's - Cody, Cindy & Shane** - January 30, 2024 at 10:49 AM

MW

“ *Marian Walbert Wyble lit a candle in memory of Morton "Tony" Gibbons-Neff III*



**Marian Walbert Wyble** - January 30, 2024 at 09:41 AM

NW

“ *Nicky And Connie Wood lit a candle in memory of Morton "Tony" Gibbons-Neff III*



**Nicky and Connie Wood** - January 30, 2024 at 09:38 AM

NW

*Always a great friend and neighbor*

**Nicky and Connie Wood** - January 30, 2024 at 09:40 AM

VW

“ 1 file added to the album *Happy Times!*



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**Valerie Williams** - January 30, 2024 at 09:36 AM

GS

“ *My condolences to the families*



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**George Short** - January 30, 2024 at 09:09 AM

DJ

“ *Wonderful memories. He will be missed*



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**David and Judy** - January 30, 2024 at 09:02 AM

CF

“ *Chester River Health Foundation lit a candle  
in memory of Morton "Tony" Gibbons-Neff III*



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**Chester River Health Foundation** - January 30, 2024 at 09:00 AM

MR

“ *Maryann & Max Ruehrmund lit a candle in memory of Morton "Tony" Gibbons-Neff III*



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**Maryann & Max Ruehrmund** - January 30, 2024 at 08:59 AM