



Myles John Doherty

December 28, 1935 - March 15, 2024

Myles Doherty, 88, passed away March 15, 2024, at Washington Hospital Center in Washington, D.C. He was the son of Molly and Charles Doherty of Richmond, MA. Myles was born in Pittsfield, MA. He graduated from Pittsfield H.S. in 1953 and graduated from The University of MA in 1957 with a degree in international studies. He did further graduate work in African studies at North Eastern University. He married Carolyn Gilbert of Pittsfield, MA in 1966.

Myles decided on a career of public service which began with serving as an officer in the US Air Force. He was honorably discharged with the rank of Captain in 1960. Myles had a 30 year federal service career. He joined NASA and became Director of the International Education Programs where he traveled to many foreign countries promoting the peaceful utilization of space exploration in pursuit of the United States' goal to reach the moon in 10 years,

After NASA, Myles accepted the position of Deputy Director of a Women's Job Corp Center. The purpose was to prepare 750 young women for gainful employment. The program was funded during President Johnson's War on Poverty.

In the 1970ties he served as Director of the US Department of Education's National Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention Program in the government's war on drug abuse. In early 1970 he became the White House Director for

National Drug Prevention Policy.

Myles's last position in federal service was serving as Deputy Director and then Acting Director of the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention's Division for High-Risk Youth.

Myles retired in 1998 from the Federal Government and, with his wife, Carolyn, established a successful Real Estate Investment and Development firm in Washington, DC. and Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Myles is survived by his beloved wife, Carolyn, one brother, David, and many nieces and nephews.

Myles found life to be a wonderful adventure. He was loved by his many friends and extended family and will be greatly missed.

A celebration of his life will be held on Saturday, April 6, 2024 at Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, 106 Shamrock Road, in Chester, MD. The Reverend Brendalyn Batchelor of Santa Fe, NM will officiate.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Myles Doherty's name may be sent to his favorite charity, Doctors Without Borders.

Previous Events

Memorial Gathering

APR 6. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein, & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A.
106 Shamrock Road
Chester, MD 21619

Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Myles John Doherty*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - April 02, 2024 at 04:16 PM



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Myles John Doherty*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - April 01, 2024 at 04:09 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Myles John Doherty.*



May 20, 2024 at 11:42 AM

FG

“ Myles was my best friend for 66 years. I met him in 1958 when both of us were officers in the Air Force just called up for active duty. Our first assignment was navigation training at Harlingen Air Force base where we were roommates for almost a year. and during that time he often spoke of Carolyn. She came to Harlingen during that time and that was my first introduction to her- and for many years years thereafter until now, she was the light of his life. Both had such an impact on my life, I don't have words to describe it although they resonate within me. Goodbye my friend and as Shakespeare said " whence comes such another"
Fred Gotha

Fred Gotha - April 06, 2024 at 09:16 PM

RH

“ What a lovely Celebration of Life service for Myles. I feel so deeply touched, hearing all the tributes honoring Myles's loving service to so many, along with his deep compassion and joyful generosity of spirit. I'm holding you, my dear Carolyn, so fondly in my heart. Love Always, Ralph Huber

Ralph William Huber - April 06, 2024 at 12:46 PM

JJ

“ I will always be grateful for Myle's kindness to me. We did not have many conversations but each that we had was deep, meaningful, sincere, genuine and full of laughter. Also, he had plenty of hugs to share. Janine Jones

Janine Jones - April 06, 2024 at 12:28 PM

AR

“ *What a gentle and kind man. Myles has now taken the Light that he is to a larger venue where the blessings he shares can serve a greater good. We will miss him. Dearest Carolyn, our hearts and prayers are with you.*

Ann and Denise

Ann Rea - April 05, 2024 at 08:43 PM

CR

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Cheryl and Rick - April 02, 2024 at 09:44 PM

LF

“ *Love, Dave & Donna Hodsdon & family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Myles John Doherty.*



Love, Dave & Donna Hodsdon & family - April 02, 2024 at 03:32 PM

CR

“ *<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dXrf83Qyc3w>*

Cheryl and Rick - April 01, 2024 at 10:25 PM

VO

“ *My Marvelous Myles, I miss you sooooo much
I called him my Marvelous Myles & he called me fabulous Valerie
I met Myles when I was 18, the way we met was so funny we never
thought we'd actually become close & were friends for as long as
we were, that was something we always joked about when having
lunch.*

*I am so thankful for the 7 years I got to spend time with you. I am
thankful for having you in my life, for the knowledge & love that you
gave me. We talked to each other everyday/ every other day. I saw
him every week. When I found out that he passed cause I always
told him he wasn't going to die anytime soon, he was seriously
young at heart , active, had soooo many plans for the future, he was
always thinking of the better not just better for him or me but his
family even society, I have never been able to talk to anyone about
anything the way I did with him. He was a great man, a great human
being. I'll miss him & I know I'll never meet anyone like him ever
again.*

*My heart has been shattered like no other ever since you been
gone, my head is forever thinking about you.*

*I wish you were here but I know I'll see you again, I'll miss you My
Marvelous Myles*

-your friend Fabulous Valerie



Valerie Oghomienor - March 31, 2024 at 10:16 PM

MB

“ Myles, You have been such an wonderful friend. Meeting you just hours after I met Carl is one of the most memorial times I had, Coffee turned into a 13 year friendship. I always enjoyed being with you, hearing your stories, refereeing the political disputes, and ,simply, just enjoying your company. I will miss you.
- Mary Lou and Carl

Mary Lou BUTLER - March 29, 2024 at 08:24 AM

CA

“ Dear Myles, I am shocked to learn that you are no longer with us in this world. I was incredibly lucky and honored to have known you for the last 20 plus years, helping you stay strong and healthy as my good personal training client and friend. I am deeply saddened by your passing and I will terribly miss your presence, your kind and honest words of support and friendship, and your always possitive energy and deep love for life. May your soul rest in peace for eternity. Your forever friend. Carmen

Carmen - March 27, 2024 at 02:22 PM