



## Richard Gordon "Dick" Getsinger

April 26, 1927 - October 7, 2014

Richard Gordon "Dick" Getsinger passed away peacefully at home on October 7, 2014.

He is survived by his beloved wife, Mary H. Getsinger; loving children, Richard Getsinger, Jr., Ann Carroll (Dennis), James Getsinger, Rebecca Mulholland (Stephen), and J. Matthew Getsinger (Patricia); ten beloved grandchildren, Daniel, Kathleen, and Molly Getsinger, Brian and Kevin Carroll, Katherine and Charles Mulholland, and Grace, Jack and Matthew Getsinger.

Born April 26, 1927, in Washington, DC, Dick graduated from Bethesda-Chevy Chase High School, served in the U.S. Navy during WWII and returned to the University of Maryland following discharge in 1946. He received his BS in Civil Engineering in 1950. He worked from 1956 to 1993 at The George Hyman Construction Co. (now Clark Construction Group), retiring as a Senior Vice President. He supervised construction of such notable projects as the Dirksen Senate Office Building, L'Enfant Plaza, and many others.

An avid outdoors-man, Dick loved working on his Eastern Shore farm, bird hunting with his dogs, and boating. A dedicated and loving husband, father, and grandfather he spent much of his retirement supporting his grandchildren's activities on the sports fields and in the arts.

Funeral services will be held this Saturday, October 11, 2014, at 10:00 a.m. at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, White Marsh Parish, 3936 Main Street, Trappe, Maryland 21673.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to The Isaac Walton League of America, Easton Chapter, 707 Conservation Lane, Gaithersburg, MD 20878.

## Cemetery Details

### White Marsh Cemetery

Trappe, MD

## Previous Events

### Service

OCT 11. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Trappe  
3936 Main Street  
Trappe, MD

# Tribute Wall



“ *Richard Gordon "Dick" Getsinger*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Richard Gordon "Dick" Getsinger*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Richard Gordon "Dick" Getsinger*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *My deepest sympathies to the Getsinger family.*

*I just learned o his passing from a friend.*

*A bright, open mind integrity and fairness, he was my great mentor and boss. Through the many years handling emergencies at late hours or in other cities I was fortunate to experience those qualities up close.*

*I will always remember his phone call out of the blue, years after we had parted ways, to kindly ask about my family in Chile following the violent 2010 earthquake and tsunami. We spent a long time reminiscing about those years as the times we both had the most fun at work.*

*I shall miss him.*

*Juan Covarrubias*

Juan Covarrubias - December 05, 2014 at 03:53 PM

WJ

“ *Mrs Getsinger and Family -  
My deepest symathies for your loss, Mr G was a great man and embodied the way we should all conduct ourselves. What a gift it was to be around that original group at Hyman!  
Getsinger, LaPanne, Kramer, Fleming, Duffy, my dad and a few others who built the core of what was to be one of the greatest forces in the construction industry. They were the real Avengers.....They had no equals....  
Bill Barotti Jr*

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**William Barotti Jr** - November 06, 2014 at 04:12 PM

AH

“ *I would like to express my sincere sympathies to the Getsinger family on Dick's passing. An old friend from Hyman just forwarded Dick's obituary to me. I worked with Dick for some twenty years at Hyman, through the 70's and 80's and will always be grateful for the knowledge Dick shared. He was a true gentleman and a great mentor.*

*Alan Hobelman*

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**Alan Hobelman** - October 21, 2014 at 02:43 PM

JM

“ *Mr. Getsinger was a fellow Hyman/Clark associate whom my father Jack Cooper greatly respected. Through the years they worked, hunted and shared stories into their retirement here on the Eastern Shore. On behalf of the Jack Cooper family, our sincere condolences to Mary and family.  
Jill (Cooper) Meyerhoff*

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**Jill Meyerhoff** - October 13, 2014 at 06:59 AM

DD

“ I have very fond memories of Dick. When I think of him, respect comes to mind. I have as much respect for Dick as any person I know. We were a great team on the Hopkins projects. We were Mutt and Jeff.

*Dick Duffy*

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**Dick Duffy** - October 10, 2014 at 03:52 PM

AK

“ I worked with Dick since 1968 as an outside consultant to Hyman. I learned more from him than I can tell you. Sorry for your loss.

*Allyn Kilsheimer, KCE Structural Engineers, PC*

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**Allyn Kilsheimer** - October 10, 2014 at 03:42 PM

DP

“ We, in the A. James Clark School of Engineering, truly mourn the passing of one of our most distinguished alums, Mr. Richard "Dick" Getsinger, who was a 1950 Civil Engineering Graduate that rose to the rank of Senior Vice President in the George Hyman Corporation. Thanks to Dick and several others, Clark Construction has become one of the greatest construction firms in the world. I had a chance to meet Dick several years ago when I first became Dean of the A. James Clark School of Engineering and he was simply a gentleman who shared stories about some major building projects that he had the opportunity to either work on or manage. I was honored to have met him and learn of his many contributions to the industry and our region.

*I would like to offer my sincerest condolences to Mary and the entire Getsinger Family and everyone who had the opportunity to get to know him. He was a wonderful person. He will be missed by all of us here in the Clark School.*

*Darryll Pines, Professor and Dean  
A. James Clark School of Engineering*

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**Darryll Pines** - October 10, 2014 at 06:25 AM

KT

“ Dick was a role model and inspiration for me at Clark Construction. I met him 25 yrs ago and he was always willing to teach and discuss construction challenges. About 10 yrs ago, I talked with Dick at the Clark Christmas Party and I mentioned the memory of the tower crane model in his office in Bethesda. A week later a package arrived at my jobsite in Chicago with the crane. He will be missed by all. Dick was instrumental in the growth of one of the greatest Construction Companies in the world. My condolences to his family and loved ones. - Katie Twomey, Clark Construction

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**Katie Twomey** - October 09, 2014 at 05:04 PM

GW

“ I am so sad to hear of the passing of Mr. Getsinger. As a dear friend of his beloved daughter Ann, I was fortunate to have known him for over 40 years. He was a fine fine man and adored his family.

He enjoyed life to its fullest. As noted in his obituary, he had many interests in addition to his family, including politics, construction (even building his own home) and hunting. He loved the outdoors and all of God's creatures. And he was smart, funny and a religious man. And, he was highly respected in his profession.

My deepest sympathies go to his devoted wife Mary, children Richie, Ann, Jamie, Becky and Matthew as well as their spouses and his beautiful grandchildren.

May God bless Mr. Getsinger and all of you. All of you are in my thoughts and prayers.

Gwen Wood

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**Gwen Wood** - October 09, 2014 at 10:28 AM

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I worked with Rich (Jr) some 40 years ago and grew to like and respect him, so his Dad must of been even better. My thoughts and prayers to all the Getsingers  
Andy McAleer

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**Andrew McAleer** - October 10, 2014 at 10:44 AM



Mr. Getsinger, Sr. was always present at St. Jane deChantal events or Cathedral Latin School events for Richard, Jr., my classmate at both schools. He was there when his children were growing up.

My parents always admired him and his commitment to his children.

Kevin J. Street

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**Kevin Joseph Street** - November 02, 2015 at 03:15 AM