



Richard Miller

January 7, 2006

Dr. Richard S. Miller of Rock Hall, Maryland, a retired Chief Scientist in the Mechanics and Energy Conversion Division at the Office of Naval Research, Arlington, VA, died suddenly on January 7, 2006 at Chester River Hospital Center in Chestertown, MD. He was 62.

He was born in Buffalo, NY on October 6, 1943, the son of the late Stanley C. and Norma Senft Miller. He was a 1961 graduate of North Tonawanda High School in North Tonawanda, NY. Dr. Miller, a holder of a Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps Scholarship, entered Cornell University where he received his Bachelor of Science Degree in 1965, his Masters of Engineering (Chemical) Degree in June of 1966 and his Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Chemical Engineering in 1970. Upon graduation, he was commissioned Ensign, United States Navy. Beginning in 1973, he then worked for the Office of Naval Research becoming the preeminent national leader in energetic materials basic research, until his retirement in 1998. His career spanned 25 years, the last nine years of which he served as Chief Scientist.

He married Pamela Felton in 1967. He and his family lived in Crownsville, Maryland for many years. Upon his retirement he and his wife moved to Rock Hall, on Maryland's Eastern Shore, to enjoy the Chesapeake Bay which they both loved. Dr. Miller was an avid boater and in retirement enjoyed reading, especially scientific research material.

His wife predeceased him in 2000.

Dr. Miller is survived by two sons, Brett Miller (Jennifer) of Odenton, MD and Christopher Miller (Brandy) of Baltimore, MD; a sister, Karen Leavy (Ronald) of East Amherst, NY; and a grandson, Nathan Thomas Miller of Odenton, MD.

A memorial service will be held on January 23, 2006 at 11:00 a.m. in St. Mark's Episcopal Church, corner of Tremont and Payne Aves., North Tonawanda, New York.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, Greater Maryland Chapter, 1850 York Road, Suite D, Timonium, Maryland 21093.

Tribute Wall



“ *Sorry to learn of Dick’s passing. Sara Lee and I enjoyed many enjoyable times with Dick, Pam, and the family.*

Joel Schnur - June 22, 2024 at 06:41 PM



“ *Richard Miller*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Richard Miller*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Richard Miller*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *I remember the love and warm friendship all of us had, from summers we spent on the bay, having fun on the boat. I'll never forget his gentle and loving personality, his smile and how he loved us boys like crazy. He was like the uncle I never had, and admired how smart and quick he was when it came to issues. I never thought the day would come, where I'd be writing on a page like this.*

I'll never forget any of you, and hope you and Pam can rest in peace. You'll always be missed.

David - April 15, 2022 at 06:27 PM