



## Roger Alan Cummings

October 28, 1944 - July 4, 2024

Roger Alan Cummings, 79, of Wittman, Maryland, passed away on July 4th, 2024, after an ongoing bout with cancer. Roger was born in Easton, Maryland on October 28, 1944, to the late Pearl E. and Andrew H. Cummings. He is predeceased by his wife Anne; his daughter, Constance Anne; his parents; and his beloved grandfather, A. Dewey Fairbank.

He is survived by his son Alan Cummings and his fiancée, Brooke Gazy, both of Delaware. He is also survived by two aunts, Sharon Hock and Sondra Rapchock of Tilghman, Maryland and a cousin Faye Shanahan of St. Michaels, Maryland. He is endured by two dear friends, Diana Dean of Delmar, Delaware and Karen Gear of Jacksonville, Florida.

Roger was raised in Wittman, Maryland and graduated from St. Michaels High School in 1962. Subsequently, he graduated from Rutgers University of New Jersey with a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting and also obtained a Master's Degree of Business Administration in Finance from LaSalle University in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Roger was a Maryland Certified Public Accountant (CPA) and a long-standing member of the Maryland Association of CPAs and the American Institute of CPAs. He owned and operated Bay Country Accounting and Tax Services in Salisbury, Maryland. Prior to opening his own business, Roger was employed at several large pharmaceutical and telecommunications firms including Glaxo Smith Kline, Bell Atlantic and MCI Telecommunications. His primary role at all of these companies was that of an International Tax Advisor.

Being the son of a Chesapeake Bay waterman, Roger loved anything related to the water and the Bay. His work boat, the “Diamond Girl”, was his pride and joy. His favorite “job” was trot-lining for blue crab which he never considered to be work, but instead a “gift from God bestowed upon only a fortunate few.” Roger was also a lifelong animal lover who said “People get to make their own life decisions, animals don’t. So someone has to look out for the animals!” He is survived by his dear cat Bootsie.

Private services are planned. In lieu of flowers or gifts, the family asks that you consider a donation to a cancer research organization of your choice.

# Tribute Wall

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“ You were loved dearly and will be sorely missed. Mrs. Roger Alan Cummings



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**Etta Banke Cummings** - July 22, 2024 at 01:47 PM

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“ Thanks all for the prayers, thoughts, cards and memories. Dad was fond of you all and he told me many stories of how each of you were a part of his life. Alan

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**Alan** - July 20, 2024 at 11:44 AM

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“ Laura L Riley lit a candle in memory of Roger Alan Cummings



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**Laura L Riley** - July 15, 2024 at 07:09 PM

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“ Thanks for all the great cabbng and fishing memories Captain Roger! I recall one summer day where not one crab would hang on his trot line, and Capt Roger’s waterman knowledge showed through when he left the creek and gear to head into the Choptank River where he found us open water beautiful swimming doublers on the surface, and netted a basket of hard and soft shells to finish the day! Rest in Peace Captain Roger, my Crab God, your friends Bill, Alex, and Chloe Sabo

Bill Sabo - July 14, 2024 at 10:46 AM

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“ Bryan And Norma Steilkie lit a candle in memory of Roger Alan Cummings



Bryan and Norma Steilkie - July 11, 2024 at 10:46 PM

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Roger is now back with Connie and Anne, in peace.

Bryan and Norma Steilkie - July 11, 2024 at 10:47 PM

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I grew up along side of Rogers family, we were like brothers. Wittman was our family, they all looked out for us. He was 14 and I was 13 when crabbed outside of Tilghmans Creek. He never forgot working on the water and that was so special for the both of us. Sometimes we would talk on the phone for hours. He will be missed.

Ted Marshall

Ted Marshall - July 15, 2024 at 10:03 AM