



## Ronald Norman Fox

October 8, 2001

Ronald Norman Fox, the President of the Oxford Town Commission and a longtime Talbot County businessman, died at Memorial Hospital at Easton on Monday, October 8, 2001. He was 64.

Born in Easton on April 14, 1937, he was the son of the late Charles and Essie Silverman Fox. After graduating from Easton High School in 1955 and in 1959 Johns Hopkins University, where he was a member of the ROTC, he served on active duty with the U.S. Army for six months, then served eight years in the U.S. Army Reserve, leaving with the rank of Captain. After college, he began his business career in Easton. For a time he sold cars and worked in a lithographic company. Then he began what grew into a chain of women's clothing stores. At the time he sold R. Fox in October 1985, the chain included stores in Easton, St. Michaels, Cambridge, Rehobeth Beach, DE and Seaford, DE and a warehouse. In 1973, he and his partner founded the Court Street Pub on Dover Street, Easton, which he later sold. In the mid-1980's, he formed a partnership with five other people and converted his Fox Bros. Bldg., across from the courthouse at Easton's 20 N. Washington St. to the Washington Street Pub. He was a longtime member of the Board of Directors of Talbot Bank in Easton, serving since about 1980. He also served on the Board of Shore Bankshares up until his death. Very involved in the Talbot County Business Community, Mr. Fox was a past president of the Talbot County Chamber of Commerce and one of the founding members of

the Easton Businessmen's Association. He was vocal about issues concerning downtown Easton's business health, including parking problems.

He was a former member of the Talbot Country Club and the Tred Avon Yacht Club and the Talbot County YMCA, where he also had served on the Board of Directors. After moving from Easton to Oxford, he became a member and Emergency Medical Technician with the Oxford Volunteer Fire Company. He served three years on the Oxford Planning and Zoning Commission, including chairing the commission. In June 1995 he ran for elected office for the first time in Oxford, winning a seat on the Oxford Town Commission. He was re-elected to the commission in June 1998 and then was elected commission President. He won a third term on the commission in June 2001 and his fellow commissioners re-elected him commission president. He was working particularly for renovation of Oxford's municipal building and the addition of a water tower in town. He campaigned on a platform of preserving Oxford's quality of life amidst inevitable change and he supported the town's Affordable Housing Plan.

Mr. Fox is survived by his wife, the former Nancy Ellen Glazier, whom he married on June 11, 1959; a daughter, Gretchen Fox Gordon and her husband, Dave of Oxford; two sons, C. Curt Fox and his wife, Robin, of Denton, and John A. Fox of Oxford; four grandchildren, William C. Fox, Katie Fox, Annie Fox and Emily Fox; and a former daughter-in-law, Kathy Pyles.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, October 11, 2001 at 10 AM at Fellows, Helfenbein and Newnam Funeral Home, P.A., Easton, where friends may call on Wednesday evening from 7 to 9 PM. Burial will be at Oxford Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to the oxford Vol. Fire Co., Oxford, MD 21654 or to the Talbot Hospice Foundation, 586 Cynwood Dr., Easton, MD 21601.



# Tribute Wall



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