



Thomas Stevenson Rogers

March 12, 1928 - June 22, 2015

Thomas S. Rogers of Chester, MD passed away on June 22, 2015 at his home. He was 87.

Born on March 12, 1928 in Chicago, Illinois, the son of the late Thomas S. and Dorothy Lyons Rogers. He served in the US Navy for 30 years as a Naval Aviator and retired as a Captain.

Thomas is survived by his wife Ellen K Rogers; 6 children Michael Rogers of OH; Diane White of MD; Carol Rogers of NC; William Kirkconnell and his wife Becky of GA; Kristin Kirkconnell of WI; and Kate Farrell and her husband Chuck of TX; 7 grandchildren Alanna; Chelsea; Josh; Casey; Danny; Christine; Laura; brother David Rogers and his wife Barbara of VA. In addition to his parents he was predeceased by his first wife Eleanor Rogers.

A visitation will be held on Sunday, June 28, 2015 from 4-6 pm at the Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A. in Chester, MD. A mass will be held on Monday, June 29, 2015 at 11 am at St. Christopher's Catholic Church in Chester, MD. Burial will be at Arlington National Cemetery at a later date.

Online condolences may be made at www.fhnfuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall



“ We served together in Fighter Squadron VF 92
Far winds and following seas my friend

W. Stott - March 02, 2025 at 06:47 PM



“ Thomas Stevenson Rogers

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ Thomas Stevenson Rogers

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ Bonnie Coleman sent a virtual gift in memory of
Thomas Stevenson Rogers



Bonnie Coleman - July 14, 2015 at 07:55 PM



Mr Tom I am very glad that I got to meet you and hear you talk about
life your family is in my prayers May you rest peacefully

Bonnie Coleman - July 14, 2015 at 07:57 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Thomas Stevenson Rogers.*



June 28, 2015 at 10:43 AM



“ *6 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - June 28, 2015 at 08:35 AM



“ *Majestic Heart was purchased for the family of Thomas Stevenson Rogers.*



June 26, 2015 at 11:37 AM

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“ I was a Ltjg who became one of CAPT Roger's fleet Officer of the Decks on the 74-75 Coral Sea cruise. I remember we were coming toward Subic Bay PI late at night after flight ops when hundreds of small lights popped up from little banca fishing boats. He said "find me a way through them" and I looked through the binoculars into the dark and could only find 1/2 of a degree of clearance for the carrier--so I told him and he very calmly told me to head for that point. I was impressed that he could be so calm in the midst of all that chaos at night and after long hours on the bridge.

Coral Sea had a very busy cruise with Frequent Wind, Eagle Pull evacuation of Saigon and later the ship was heading south through the straits of Bali when the order was given to turn the formation around and head for Cambodia where the Mayaguez had been taken.

I had applied to Flight School but they weren't taking anyone as the Navy was reducing pilots. When we got back to Alameda in early July 75, I called my detailer and was surprised that there was an August spot for me. I believe that CAPT Rogers, XO Doran and my boss, LCDR Thiel had worked to get me that slot. I flew P-3s, retired from the Navy, and flew for the airlines amassing 15,000 hours-- I appreciated that flight School opportunity! 5 years ago I returned to Pentagon as Dep Assist Sec of Defense-Transportation Policy and I appreciate CAPT Rogers and that Coral Sea experience.

My sincere condolences to your family.

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Don Stanton - June 26, 2015 at 08:28 AM