



## Walter Laidlaw Fink Jr.

June 22, 1930 - August 27, 2014

Walter Laidlaw Fink, Jr., longtime resident of Talbot County, died of cancer in his home, under hospice care on August 27, 2014. He was 84.

Born in Flushing, NY, he was the son of Walter L. Fink and Minerva W. Fink.

Mr. Fink grew up in Manhasset on Long Island, attended Manhasset High School and received his B.S. in Industrial Art at Oswego State University.

He joined the R.O.C. program in 1952 and was stationed in Long Beach, CA, as an Ensign in the U.S. Navy and later as a Cryptographic Officer on Admiral Wright's staff in Norfolk, VA. After his service in the Navy, he received his Master Degree from Columbia University in New York.

His love of sailing and the sea always stayed with him. He helped found the O'Day Corporation and started manufacturing fiberglass sailboats. The company, after mergers and acquisitions, became the largest sailboat manufacturer in the world in the late 1980's.

Mr. Fink was Commodore of the Midget Ocean Racing Club on Long Island. He was a member of the Cruising Club of America and the Tred Avon Yacht Club. He was also a member of the Moorings Yacht and Country Club in Vero Beach, FL. He served several years on the financial committee of the Mid-

Shore Community Foundation in Easton, MD.

Mr. Fink is survived by his wife of 39 years, Anne-lise Hoel Fink; his sister, Jeanne C.F. Marsh of Hanover, PA; sister-in-law, Else-Marit Hoel (Asbjorn) of Hamar, Norway; along with a niece and nephew and their children.

A celebration of his life will take place, Tuesday, September 16, 2014 at 11 a.m. at the Church of the Holy Trinity, Oxford, MD. Burial will be private.

Memorial contributions may be made to The Talbot Hospice Foundation, 586 Cynwood Dr., Easton, MD 21601.

# Cemetery Details

**Private**

# Previous Events

**celebration of life**

SEP **16**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Church of The Holy Trinity  
Oxford, MD

# Tribute Wall



“ *Walter Laidlaw Fink Jr.*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Walter Laidlaw Fink Jr.*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Walter Laidlaw Fink Jr.*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Sandy Walton lit a candle in memory of  
Walter Laidlaw Fink Jr.*



**Sandy Walton** - August 28, 2014 at 07:14 AM



*I'm very sorry to hear of the loss of Mr. Fink. I enjoyed seeing him and his wife when they came in to the Farm Service office. Such a wonderful man. May God comfort you Mrs. Fink, with the loss of your soulmate. My thoughts and prayers are with you.*

**Sandy Walton** - August 28, 2014 at 07:16 AM