



Wilfred Stuart Thompson Jr.

February 5, 1917 - June 20, 2013

W. Stuart Thompson, a resident of Cooke's Hope in Easton, MD, died peacefully on June 20, 2013. He was 96 years old.

Stu was born in Detroit, MI, on February 5, 1917, and was the only child of Laura May Stevens Thompson and Wilfred Stuart Thompson. He attended Detroit Country Day and Rumsay Hall before graduating from the Hotchkiss School in Lakeville, CT, in 1936.

After graduating from Yale University in 1940, he worked for Stinson Aircraft in Detroit and then served in the Counter Intelligence Corps of the U.S. Army from 1942-1945. His love of cars and his Detroit upbringing remained with him throughout his life. After the war, Stu worked for the Ford Motor Company until moving to the Eastern Shore where he purchased the Talbot Motors automobile dealership, selling Chrysler, Plymouth, and Jaguar brands. In 1958, he joined the Sports and Specialties retail clothing store in Easton and soon after became partners in the business. He was also instrumental in expanding the store to include a downtown Annapolis location. In 1987, he retired and sold his interest in the Sports and Specialties store to George Todd.

His hobbies included trout fishing, hunting in Upper Michigan, sailing on the Chesapeake on his boat, "Sauvage" and goose hunting. He was the member

of the Chesapeake Bay Yacht Club, the Tred Avon Yacht Club, and one of the earliest members of the ROMEO club in Easton. He was a trustee of the Watkinson School in Hartford, CT. For many years he worshipped at All Faith Chapel in Tunis Mills, MD.

Throughout his life it was his love of friends and his social nature that will always be remembered.

Mr. Thompson is survived by his beloved wife, Catherine Forman Thompson, (Kate) whom he married in 1988. He was previously married to Mary Valentine Scott which ended in divorce. He married Sarah Withrow Todd who died from cancer fourteen years later. He leaves two children from his first marriage, Mary Thompson Ledford (Al) of Oxford and Bruce Stuart Thompson of Easton; grandchildren, Nathan and Kimberly Poulin of ME; one great-grandchild, Kaylee Poulin of NC. He also leaves seven stepchildren, Charley Todd, John Todd (Sarane) and George Todd from his second marriage and Elizabeth Furey (Tim), Laura Carney (Greg), Hope Reed (Tom), and Maria Wharton (John) from his current marriage. Stu also leaves fifteen step-grandchildren and five step-great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held on Wednesday June 26 at the Church of the Holy Trinity in Oxford at 11:00 a.m.

In lieu of flowers donations, can be sent to the Hospice Foundation, 586 Cynwood Drive Easton, Md 21601 or the Talbot Humane Society, P.O. Box 1143 Easton, MD 21601.

Cemetery Details

Private

Previous Events

Service

JUN **26**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Church of The Holy Trinity
Oxford, MD

Tribute Wall



“ *Wilfred Stuart Thompson Jr.*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Wilfred Stuart Thompson Jr.*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Wilfred Stuart Thompson Jr.*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Stu and Kate were very close friends of my parents (George and Shirley Burnham). They shared many laughs and too many parties before my parents passed and I know full well they will have many more now that Stu has joined them. God Bless Stu he will be greatly missed and thank you for the all the happy memories.*
Laird Larrimore

Laird Larrimore - June 26, 2013 at 11:48 AM