



William Patrick Griffin

February 6, 1929 - February 8, 2012

William Patrick Griffin, Sr., died on Wednesday, February 8, 2012, at Memorial Hospital in Easton, MD. Born in Hartford, CT, on February 6, 1929, he was the son of the late J. Donald Griffin and Margaret Wieland Griffin.

Mr. Griffin graduated Kingswood Academy High School in 1947 and Trinity College in Hartford in 1951. He then entered the United States Coast Guard Officer Candidate School in New London, CT. He retired as a Commander with 22 years service in the Coast Guard Reserve.

In 1953, Mr. Griffin began working for the Travelers Insurance Company in Baltimore as a field agent. After six years, he transferred with the Travelers to Boston where he remained until 1966.

In 1966, Mr. Griffin and his family moved to Easton where he partnered with J.G. Murray Bartlett to form Bartlett Griffin Insurance, an independent agency. Several years later, the agency merged with the Moffit Agency, which brought W. Moorhead Vermilye into the firm, forming Bartlett, Griffin & Vermilye, Inc. Bill retired from the Agency in 1995. In 1954, Bill earned his pilot's license and would "fly anywhere for any reason." He had a passion for aviation.

Bill's greatest passion was his beloved wife, Denise O'Connor Griffin, and his loving family. Among his many community involvements were board

memberships with the Easton Airport Advisory, the Memorial Hospital at Easton, the United Fund of Talbot County, and the Chesapeake College Foundation. In addition, he was a member of the Talbot Country Club, Commodore of the Tred Avon Yacht Club, President of the Easton Rotary, and a co-founder of the YMCA youth swimming league in Easton. One of his largest community undertakings, though, was his involvement in the planning, fundraising, and construction of the new Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church and rectory in Easton.

Mr. Griffin is survived by his four children, Ellen of Annapolis, Bill, Jr. and his wife Mary of Easton, Peter and his wife Terri of Easton, Laura and her husband Cesar of West Hartford, CT; a sister, Jane Burroni and her husband Jerry of San Rafael, CA; and five grandchildren, Hannah, Ladd, Flynn, Maggie and Cloe. His parents, his beloved wife Denise, and his brother, J. Donald Griffin, III, preceded him in death.

A funeral liturgy will be celebrated on Saturday, February 18, 2012, at 2 p.m. at Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church, 7906 Ocean Gateway, Easton, MD 21601. Interment will be private.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in memory of William Patrick Griffin, to the YMCA of The Chesapeake, 202 Peach Blossom Lane, Easton, MD 21601.

Previous Events

Service

FEB 18. 2:00 PM (ET)

Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church Easton
7906 Ocean Gateway
Easton, MD 21601

Tribute Wall



“ *William Patrick Griffin*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *William Patrick Griffin*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *William Patrick Griffin*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Shawn McLaughlin sent a virtual gift in memory of William Patrick Griffin*



Shawn McLaughlin - February 15, 2012 at 01:21 PM



“ *Katie Knapp - Merrill Lynch lit a candle in memory of William Patrick Griffin*



Katie Knapp - Merrill Lynch - February 15, 2012 at 10:35 AM

PW

“ *Patti And Craig Willis lit a candle in memory of William Patrick Griffin*



Patti and Craig Willis - February 14, 2012 at 04:56 PM

LH

“ *Laurie Haas lit a candle in memory of William Patrick Griffin*



Laurie Haas - February 14, 2012 at 12:22 PM

ME

“ *Maureen Eschbacher lit a candle in memory of William Patrick Griffin*



Maureen Eschbacher - February 13, 2012 at 04:10 PM

CB

“ *Death is a horrible event, I am so sorry to hear about the loss of your loved one, we can take comfort in the scriptures. There is a wonderful promise found in Acts 24:15 that there will be a resurrection, so soon we will be able to feel the warmth from her smile and hugs. Matthew 5:4-5 brings where we will enjoy this happy moment right here on the earth. This wonderful hope can help us to make it through these critical times hard to deal with as brought out in 2 Timothy 3:1. Our hearts and prayers are with you all, Christina Bontrager*

christina bontrager - February 13, 2012 at 07:52 AM

PF

“ *Phil Foster lit a candle in memory of William Patrick Griffin*



Phil Foster - February 11, 2012 at 01:00 AM

BD

“ *Brenda Donaldson lit a candle in memory of William Patrick Griffin*



Brenda Donaldson - February 10, 2012 at 08:21 AM

LD

“ *Lois Hutchison DeRosa lit a candle in
memory of William Patrick Griffin*



Lois Hutchison DeRosa - February 10, 2012 at 08:08 AM