



William Capehart Walke Jr.

June 13, 1933 - April 21, 2018

William Capehart Walke, Jr., of St. Michaels, MD, died peacefully on Saturday, April 21, 2018. He was 84.

Bill was born on June 13, 1933, in Baltimore, to the late William Capehart Walke, Sr. and Anna Dudley Walke. Bill was raised in Baltimore. He attended Friends School in Roland Park, after which he received an engineering degree from University of Maryland in 1956, where he was a member of Phi Kappa Sigma. Following college, Bill was sworn in as a commissioned officer in the US Navy, serving on the USS Saratoga stationed in the Mediterranean.

In 1962, Bill met Mary Ellen McDonald of Easton, PA, and they married in July of 1964.

After serving in the Navy, Bill pursued a career in power generation. He spent the majority of his career with the engineering consulting firm Sargent & Lundy based in Chicago. Bill was licensed as a professional engineer and was a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. His career took him around the world, working on projects in China, Korea, and Indonesia, as well as across the United States.

Bill and Mary Ellen raised their three children in Hinsdale, IL, a suburb of Chicago. Their family frequently vacationed in Ocean City, MD. Retirement

reunited Bill with his beloved home state, when he and Mary Ellen moved to Saint Michaels in 1997. Bill was able to make wonderful new friends in this community and even reconnected friendships from his school days. Bill was active in the Navy League and was a proud member of the Miles River Yacht Club. Over the last 25 years, Bill and Mary Ellen enjoyed their annual winter holiday in Naples at the Vanderbilt Beach Resort, enjoying friendships that have lasted through the years.

Bill is survived by his wife, Mary Ellen Walke; two daughters, Elizabeth Walke (Steve Grotbo), of Minneapolis, MN, and Emily Gallagher (Matthew) of Chicago, IL; and his grandchildren, Charles and Margaret Gallagher. He was preceded in death by his son, William C. Walke, III; his sisters; Emily Woodside and Anne Pennock (Samuel); and his parents, William Capehart Walke, Sr. and Anna Dudley Walke.

A funeral mass will be held on Friday, April 27, 2018, at 11 a.m. at St. Michaels Mission Church in St. Michaels. Burial will be private at Church Hill Cemetery in Church Hill, MD.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in his memory to St. Michaels YMCA, <http://www.ymcachesapeake.org/give>.

Cemetery Details

Church Hill Cemetery

Cemetery Road
Church Hill, MD

Previous Events

Funeral Liturgy

APR 27. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Michaels Mission Church
109 Lincoln Avenue
St. Michaels, MD

Tribute Wall



“ *William Capehart Walke Jr.*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *William Capehart Walke Jr.*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *William Capehart Walke Jr.*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Bill Woodside sent a virtual gift in memory of William Capehart Walke Jr.*



Bill Woodside - April 30, 2018 at 10:16 PM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of William Capehart Walke Jr..*



April 25, 2018 at 04:58 PM

MS

“ Meg And Sam sent a virtual gift in memory of William Capehart Walke Jr.



Meg and Sam - April 24, 2018 at 04:58 PM

MS

We always enjoyed seeing Uncle Bil and Aunt Mary Ellen when we boated to St. Michael's. We have great memories of those visits. We are so sorry to lose Uncle Bill and send our love to the family. Sam and Meg

Meg and Sam - April 24, 2018 at 05:11 PM

ME

“ Meg lit a candle in memory of William Capehart Walke Jr.



Meg - April 24, 2018 at 04:57 PM

ME

“ 1 file added to the album Christmas 2017



Meg - April 24, 2018 at 03:54 PM

JG

We offer our deepest sympathy to Mr. Walkie's family. It was our pleasure to meet with him at Navy League dinners and especially to chat with his daughter, who traveled so far to attend those dinners with him.

janice and Dick Gnospelius - April 25, 2018 at 09:43 AM

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janice and Dick Gnospelius - April 25, 2018 at 09:46 AM

JD

Although I started at SandL in 1969, I didn't really get to know Bill until I became a Mechanical Engineer, working for Bill as 'my' Mechanical Project Engineer. We both worked for Ken Olson. Bill brought (forced?) organization into my approach to Mechanical Engineering, and required I learn on my own. I'll never forget his signature way of answering the phone: Walke Speaking. Although I have thought of him many times over the years; sadly, we lost contact, even before we both left SandL - me ~2000. May God Speed him as he continues on his journey, and his Family be consoled by the sure and certain hope of the Resurrection. joe darguzas

joe darguzas - April 25, 2018 at 07:01 PM