



# Richard James Darley

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**R**ichard James Darley, age 87 of Rehoboth Beach, DE, passed away peacefully on Saturday, August 20, 2011 at Brandywine Assisted Living, Rehoboth Beach. He was born August 25, 1923 in Washington, D.C., son of the late James M. and Beatrice (Griffin) Darley.

Mr. Darley served in the Air Force as a Navigator and then worked for 35 years at the National Geographic Society retiring as Chief Cartographer. After retirement, he moved from Bethesda, MD to Rehoboth Beach in 1986. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus and the Rehoboth Beach Historical Society. Mr. Darley also served as a Commissioner of Rehoboth Beach for 8 years. He enjoyed reading, studying history and doing crossword puzzles in ink.

In addition to his parents, Mr. Darley was preceded in death by his wife of 40 years, Estelle Hostettler Darley and his oldest daughter Donna Darley who passed away in 1970. He is survived by his sister, Mary Hubbard, of Lancaster, PA, his son, Jim Darley of Lewes, DE, daughters, Susan Darley of Kansas City, MO, Mary Darley of Pittsboro, NC, Patricia Caywood and her husband Daniel of Woodsboro, MD, and Judith Anne Mach and her husband Stefan of Thurmont, MD. Also surviving are 14 grandchildren, and two great grandsons. He is also survived by his best friend Joyce Sutton of Rehoboth Beach, DE.

Interment will be on Tuesday, August 30, 2011 at 10:00 AM at Gate of Heaven Cemetery, 13801 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20906.

Please sign Mr. Darley's online guestbook on this page.

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SR

**Susanne Griffin Rakes** posted:

Mr. Darley's mother was my great-aunt, Beatrice. My paternal grandmother (Pauline M. Griffin), told us of our link to National Geo, through our Darley connection. I welcome any feedback from my any of my distant family.

February 7 at 8:00 PM

GF

**Grace Fritz** posted:

My husband, Russel orked with Dick at the NGS for years and used to visit him in Rohobeth. Russel is in an assisted living home with alzheimers. I remember him and ESTelle foundly. PLease accept my symphthay.

September 3 at 8:00 PM

SF

**Sandra Frattali** posted:

A wonderful neighbor, never forgotten. With sympathy and prayers for the familykkkk

August 31 at 8:00 PM

RM

**Richard McClure** posted:

I worked with Dick for many years I am happy to of known him.

August 30 at 8:00 PM

RW

**Robin Wright** posted:

So so sorry for your loss... I know you will miss him terribly, and that any words I might offer to comfort you right now would be woefully inadequate. I have been praying for you, and will keep praying because we have a God in heaven who loves us, and who your dad is rejoicing with right now.

August 28 at 8:00 PM

NJ

**Nancy Jones** posted:

Judi, my thoughts and prayers are with you. You were always there for him, for which I know he must have been eternally grateful. God Bless, Nance

August 28 at 8:00 PM



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LB

**Lori Brubaker** posted:

To Judi and the entire family, please accept my deepest sympathy. I remember your Dad from Wyngate days. He always made me feel welcomed in your home. May the Lord's blanket of comfort be wrapped tightly around each of you.

August 28 at 8:00 PM

JM

**Judi Darley Mach** posted:

You ruined me now, though I liked it  
Now I'm ruined, I'm trying to part with what's in my heart. You ruined me and how I thought I liked it, But I'm ruined my whole world is left turned upside down.  
Norah Jones  
I miss you Dad! But am so happy you are at rest!

August 28 at 8:00 PM

DD

**Dottie Darley** posted:

I'm so very sorry for your loss. It seems as though just when we get old enough to appreciate our Fathers, they are no longer with us. Thank God for the sweet memories that we'll take with us for as long as we live.

August 28 at 8:00 PM



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Richard by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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