



# Norman B. Sugrue

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**N**orman B. Sugrue, age 70 of Rehoboth Beach, DE passed away peacefully on Wednesday, June 8, 2011, at Cadbury at Lewes, Lewes, DE. He was born on April 1, 1941, son of the late Bernard A. and Margaret E. (Kanode) Sugrue.

In addition to his parents, Mr. Sugrue was preceded in death by his beloved wife of 31 years, Geneva L. (Loy) Sugrue and his sister Helen May Vechery. He is survived by two sons: Norman B. Sugrue, Jr. and his wife Shannon of Rehoboth Beach and Eric C. Sugrue of Rehoboth Beach; two daughters: Jennifer S. Burton and her husband Robert R. of Rehoboth Beach and Holly D. Sugrue of Milton, DE; and four grandchildren: Samuel Burton, Dahlyn Sugrue, Shea Sugrue, and Genna Burton.

Mr. Sugrue attended Blessed Sacrament Grade School, Chevy Chase, MD, St. Johns High School, Washington, DC, and Georgetown University graduating in 1962 with a BS in Business. Mr. Sugrue and his father owned and operated Norman Ford in College Park, MD until 1976 when the business was sold to Koons Ford. At that time he moved to Rehoboth Beach, DE and started his career of 33 years in real estate working for Jack Lingo Realty. He served his community as past Rehoboth Beach Town Commissioner for 2 terms and was a member of Rehoboth Beach Country Club, and Columbia Country Club in Chevy Chase, MD. He was a member of All Saints Episcopal Church and enjoyed coaching Rehoboth Little League, antiquing, boating, collecting coins and stamps, music, cooking and entertaining for many friends, cheering for the Redskins, and playing volleyball at Deauville Beach. Mr. Sugrue was a loving husband, father, grandfather, brother, and dear friend.

A Celebration of Mr. Sugrue's Life will be held on Thursday, June 16, 2011, 1:00PM at Epworth United Methodist Church, 19285 Holland Glade Road, Rehoboth Beach, DE with Rev. Max Wolf and Rev. Jim Manion officiating. Interment will be private. Arrangements by Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium, Lewes, DE.



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The family invites everyone to visit Mr. Sugrue's Life Memorial webpage and sign his online guestbook at [www.parsellfuneralhomes.com](http://www.parsellfuneralhomes.com).

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial contributions be made to All Saints Episcopal Church, 18 Olive Avenue, Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971.

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## Tribute Wall

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LV

**Lee & Kimber Vought** posted:

We just spoke to Jim Manion, who told us of Norman's death. Norman was one of the first friends we met when we moved to Rehoboth Beach. From that moment on, we experienced many happy experiences with him. Norman was the first person to encourage Kimber to run for Mayor. During the campaign, Norman served as Campaign Manager and offered sound advice that made serving as Mayor a deep pleasure. Lee remembers Norman calling the house when Kimber was Mayor -- he always called me "The Mayoress." We extend our sympathy to the family -- our thoughts and prayers go out to all of you.

August 25 at 8:00 PM

BS

**Bobbe Sade** posted:

to all of Normans family please except my condolences...i send you all healing thoughts and will cherish my memory of Norman. what a great picture of him on this site.....thats how i remember him smiling and a hat on to cover up my hair cut!!!LOL I miss him but know we all will see him again. he's very happy.shed no tears. The turn out at the church was overwhelming just as expected he always seem to do everything big!!lol with all my love, Bobbe

June 19 at 8:00 PM

LL

**Lew And Mary Lou Luce** posted:

What wonderful memories we have of Norman. They will remain in our hearts forever. May he rest in peace.

June 18 at 8:00 PM

DM

**Doctor And Mrs Francis Martin** posted:

Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family in your loss. Frank and Nora Martin

June 14 at 8:00 PM

EG

**Ed & Kathy(Castiglia)Greeves** posted:

We remember the fun times had by all when Norman was present! His outgoing and friendly personality touched everyone around him. He will be in our thoughts and prayers until we meet again!

June 14 at 8:00 PM



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AM

**Ann Millman Dillow, Barbara & David Millman** posted:

Our thoughts and prayers go with each of you. Norman was a good friend to all of us and will surely be missed.

June 14 at 8:00 PM

CC

**Chuck And Dormalie Cipolloni** posted:

We send our sincere condolences to the children and family of Norman. With love Chuck and Dorm

June 13 at 8:00 PM

AC

**Albert Claxton** posted:

My condolences to the family. I have great memories of our trips to the ocean back in the late fifties. Rest in peace.

June 13 at 8:00 PM

JS

**John And Louise Sharigan** posted:

Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this sad time. Sincerely, John and Louise

June 13 at 8:00 PM

LB

**Lee Hildebrand Bryan** posted:

Rest in peace, sweet Norman. You kept us all laughing and you were loved by all who were lucky enough to know you. My condolences to the family.

June 13 at 8:00 PM

MM

**Mike Mooney** posted:

Great guy! Will be missed very much. Always ready with a smile. Genuine friend... My prayers are for him and his kids.

June 13 at 8:00 PM



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JA

**John Aravanis** posted:

St Johns was along time ago, but we remember. Deepest sympathy to the family. May his memory be eternal.

June 13 at 8:00 PM

JZ

**Joseph Zepeda** posted:

My condolences on your loss. I was in the same graduating class of 1959 as Mr. Norman Sugrue, Sr., and although we weren't close as classmates, may he rest in peace. He has now completed his journey to touch the face of God. Joseph F. Zepeda Cape Coral, FL 33914 St. John's, Class of 1959c

June 12 at 8:00 PM

LM

**Lefty & Judy Madden** posted:

To the Norman Sugrue Family Norman had such a grand zest for life and love of others that he made everyone privileged to know him a better person. What humor, friendship and joy he brought to our St. John's class of 1959. He no doubt has even now set up parties in heaven for his friends already there. Know that he loved you all with everything that he had. May his energizing spirit live on in each of you.

June 12 at 8:00 PM

PC

**Paul And Nancy Ciatti** posted:

For the Sugrue Family With deepest sympathy to your family. Your Dad and Mom were wonderful caring people. We are so sorry for your loss. Paul and Nancy Ciatti Paul, SJC '59

June 12 at 8:00 PM



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RT

**Richard Torre** posted:

I have not seen Norman for five decades, but I easily recall his ready smile, and hearty character, his personal warmth, attentive kindness and pronounced joie de vivre. Norman relished life, bringing abundant, earnest enthusiasm to all his endeavors and encounters. He had an inquiring mind and a good ear for listening. He will be missed by all close to him, and shared his good life. We were classmates at St John's ('59), and undefeated football teammates through four years at Georgetown ('63). Afterwards, we were also classmates at CUA Law School the year Norman attended. Then, we became new husbands, and new fathers. We shared home-cooked dinners with our brides and newborns. Norman and Geneva were a delightful and beautiful couple, and his love for her was forever grand. I regret that distance precludes my attendance at his service, so I wish my sympathy and condolences to his family and friends who shared life with Norman. In life, Norman was a bear-of-a-man - but indeed a just big "teddy bear." Sometimes, I bring smiles to close friends when I quote one of Norman's once favorite aphorisms: "Never stand when you can sit. Never sit when you can lie. And, never lie when you can be laid." I pray you smile as you remember him, and that he rests in peace.

June 12 at 8:00 PM

TH

**Troney Haney** posted:

Sugrue family, my thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. Troney

June 12 at 8:00 PM

MS

**Michael And Barbara Sommer** posted:

Norman, Jr., Eric, Jennifer, Holly and family, We both send you our sympathy at the passing of your dad. Those bright blue eyes, warm smile and his genuine good sense of humor will be missed. He was a great entertainer and man. Michael and Barbara Sommer

June 12 at 8:00 PM

DJ

**David Jacobin** posted:

Our thoughts and prayers are with the Sugrue family. Our deepest condolences, The Jacobin family.

June 12 at 8:00 PM



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JN

**Janie Grzybowski (Marge's Niece)** posted:

The family of Marjorie Roe (Weer) wish to send their condolences to the Sugrue family at this time. Most Sincerely, Marge's Family

June 12 at 8:00 PM

BW

**Bill Willin** posted:

Norman, Eric, Jen & Holly, Know my thoughts & prayers are with you at this difficult time. Your Dad always lit up the room when he entered. Remember the good times, it won't fix everything but it will help over time. God Bless

June 11 at 8:00 PM

LE

**Leslie** posted:

I knew his grandmother and aunt who lived in Chesapeake Beach, I saw the notice in the Post and had to look. He reminds me of his grand-mother Helen. Sorry for your loss.

June 11 at 8:00 PM

BF

**Bert Frey** posted:

Norman may God rest your soul, and peace be with all your loved ones. "Neva" and Helen may God rest your souls as well.

June 11 at 8:00 PM

PM

**Peter Mcmenamin** posted:

I met Norman as a realtor at Lingo. He helped us buy and later sell a concept home on Henlopen Avenue and a little apartment house on Wilmington. He also introduced me to the concept of a Norman Chair, a wicker chair that could accommodate a person of substantial frame. Norman was a genuinely nice guy and a forever friend regardless of how infrequently I saw him.

June 11 at 8:00 PM



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BB

**Bob & Joan Boswell** posted:

We are so sorry to hear of your Dad's passing. We know there are so many special memories to treasure. He was a very outgoing and warm man. We extend our sincere sympathy. from Joan & Bob Boswell, your former next store neighbors on White Flint Dr.

June 11 at 8:00 PM

DL

**Don And Carolyn Lawson** posted:

Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this time.

June 11 at 8:00 PM

MJ

**Michael W. Jecko** posted:

My wife Susan and I both knew Norman for a very long time and visited him at his home in Rehoboth Beach. We miss him very much.

June 11 at 8:00 PM

AC

**Albert C, Camacho** posted:

My sympathies to your family and all of your dear friends. Al Camacho

June 11 at 8:00 PM

TO

**Tom Curling Class Of 59** posted:

Our family offer our deepest sympathies to Norm's family.

June 11 at 8:00 PM

PS

**Peter Staley** posted:

Mr. Sugrue was always so kind and welcoming to me when I was his neighbor growing up. My thoughts go out to Norman, Jr. and Jenny. Lots of fond memories of those long ago days.

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**John W. Dean II** posted:

I am sorry to hear of the passing of your father. I enjoyed many lunch conversations with Norman at the Captains Table. My thoughts and prayers are with you. John

June 10 at 8:00 PM



**Ken Lynch** posted:

To the Sugrue Family; Deepest sympathy on Norm's passing. He was a great man and will be missed. Ken Lynch SJC59.

June 10 at 8:00 PM



**Richard** posted:

Norm was a classmate at St John's who you could always count on to tell a good joke and listen to a bad one. Family --take care and Norm ---rest in peace.

June 9 at 8:00 PM



**Andy Oehmann '59** posted:

Norman was a good friend and classmate at St. John's always smiling and interested in the wellbeing of others. We will miss him.

June 9 at 8:00 PM



**Giles Crimi** posted:

I knew Norm both from Blessed Sacrament and St. John's and know he was a very wonderful person. His serve in beach volleyball was formidable. He will be missed, and our sympathy and prayers go out to all the family for this loss.

June 9 at 8:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

A sympathy card has been sent to the family of Norman B. Sugrue, Sr..

June 9 at 8:00 PM



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CB

**Connor & Joy Bohan** posted:

We had alot of fun together at Georgetown U. Rest in peace.

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DF

**Drew And Susan Romans And Family** posted:

Dear Norman, We will greatly miss your big smile, your pleasant demeanor, and your humerous quick wit. We credit you with a major contribution to our family when you found the perfect beach house for us to spend the summer and raise our family. We know that you are much better off now. We miss you already.

June 8 at 8:00 PM

RH

**Randall Huber** posted:

Dear Norman, Jennifer, Eric & families, I was shocked and saddened when I saw that your father had passed from this earth to heaven. Your parents were two of the nicest people I ever had the pleasure of working with during my years at the RBCC. I am so sorry for you but I find great joy in knowing that they are reunited in heaven. I pray that God will grant all of you the peace, the comfort and the strength to walk through these most difficult days of loss and grief. You are all in my prayers, Randy HuberL

June 8 at 8:00 PM



# Memories only last if you share them

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



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