



Joseph C. Shaw Jr.

March 6, 1940 - June 22, 2021

Joseph C. Shaw, Jr., age 81 of Lewes, Delaware, passed away peacefully on June 22, 2021, at his home, surrounded by family. He was born on March 6, 1940, in Washington, DC, son of the late Joseph C. and Ruth (Jones) Shaw.

Joe attended The George Washington University and was a career oceanographer for NOAA. He was an avid stamp collector and model train enthusiast. Joe loved the beach, his garden, and spending time at his cabin in Vermont. In retirement, he dedicated time to the Friends of Cape Henlopen State Park. Above all, Joe cherished time spent with those he held most dear. He was a loving and devoted husband, father, grandfather, brother, and friend who will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

Joe is survived by his beloved wife of 53 years, Judith A. Shaw; his children: Matthew Shaw (Cynthia Furtado-Shaw) of Bristol, Rhode Island, Andrew Shaw (Sei Jung Shaw) of Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia; and Erin Specht (Fritz Specht) of Martinsburg, West Virginia; his nine grandchildren; and his sisters: Kathleen Palcher of Potomac, Maryland and Margaret Shaw of Sarasota, Florida.

A private memorial service has been planned by the family.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

Please sign the virtual guestbook located on the tribute page.

Comments



“ My brother was so kind to me throughout my life. I have wonderful memories of the coloring book and crayons he gave me when I had measles, the Wednesday doll, and his sweaters he let me wear. When I was in high school, he let me drive his car to school. We had great times as children and adults. I will miss him dearly. His life was dedicated to his family. His kind and generous spirit is abundantly evident in the beautiful children and grandchildren he leaves behind. May he rest in peace.

Kathleen Palcher - June 30 at 04:42 PM



“ When I was young and times were hard, you were there for me with a joke and a beer.
The Vermont cabin, maple syrup, cheese, tumbled stones, trains, and winter sledding in Crestwood.
A siblings bond can not be broken even by age and distance - through it all, you were always my brother and I your baby sister.

Love, Margaret

Margaret Shaw - June 26 at 06:09 PM



“ Dad -

Thanks for the all the life lessons and laughs; the trips to the beach; and the hikes in Vermont. I love you and will miss you but I know you'll never be gone because every time I have a question, I'll ask... "what would dad do?" and I know you'll be right there.

Matt

Matthew Shaw - June 24 at 01:50 PM