



Francis Stuart Harmon

September 22, 1932 - April 2, 2016

Francis Stuart Harmon Jr., affectionately known as “Stuart” or “Stu” by those closest to him, died at the Village at Summerville in South Carolina on April 2, 2016. He was 83.

Born in Lynchburg, Virginia in 1932 he was the son of the late Francis Stuart Harmon and Waverly (Harwood) Harmon. His sister, Virginia Jameson, passed away on March 14, 1988.

He was married to Mary Ann (French) Harmon for 46 years until her death on March 8, 2007.

Following an education at Horace Mann School and Princeton University, Mr. Harmon served in the Navy on the Air Craft Carrier U S Hancock in the Pacific from 1955-1957, and later as an instructor at the Naval Academy from 1957-1959. After marrying Mary Ann French in 1959, he earned a Masters in Science at the University of Illinois in 1960.

He then taught chemistry at the Lawrenceville School in New Jersey from 1960-1981, and afterward at the Charlotte (NC) Latin school from 1981-1989. He also wrote test questions for the Education Testing Service for the College Board Chemistry Achievement test and Advanced Placement exam.

As a boy Stu fell in love with the Silver Bay Association in the Adirondack Mountains in upper New York State. He and his wife became permanent residents there in 1995 after spending many summers in the area with his own family. He served the association in many capacities including as a member of the Board of Trustees.

Stuart was a well-loved father, grandfather, community servant and outdoorsman. He will especially be remembered as a passionate chemistry teacher who combined wry humor with a desire to coax a great intellectual curiosity out of those under his care.

Survivors include two sons, Kendall S. Harmon of Summerville, SC and Randall H. Harmon of Gaithersburg, Md., a nephew, John Jameson of West Chester, Pa., and a niece, Ann Jameson of Alexandria, Va. He also has three grandchildren, Abigail Harmon, Nathaniel Harmon and Selimah Harmon.

A memorial service followed by a reception will take place on April 9, 2016 at 2 p.m. at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Summerville, S.C. The Rev. Craige Borrett will officiate and the Rev. Gary Beson will preach. A further service to give thanks for Stu's life will take place in the summer of 2016 at the Silver Bay Assn. Chapel in Silver Bay, NY, at a date to be announced.

In lieu of flowers the family is requesting that gifts be made to the Silver Bay Assn. Emp Alumni Fellowship Scholarship Fund.

A memorial message may be written to the family by visiting our website at www.jamesadyal.com.

ARRANGEMENTS BY JAMES A. DYAL FUNERAL HOME, 303 SOUTH MAIN STREET, SUMMERVILLE, SC 29483 (843)873-4040.

Tribute Wall



“ Francis Stuart Harmon

September 29, 2022 at 10:11 AM



“ I just went looking to see if I could find Mr. Harmon out there and just came across this news. I am so sorry for Mr. Harmon's passing, but he gave so much to me as a student at Charlotte Latin that I prefer to think of him as living on in me and those he inspired. I know I would be a chemical engineer now if it wasn't for him, let alone a professor. All my conversations about why I chose this field start with the two classes I took from Stu. I can draw a direct line from my life now to those times in the '80s.

Hank Ashbaugh - November 07, 2016 at 01:31 PM



“ Stu will be missed. Our condolences to your family.

Katy Orr - April 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ Stu and Mary Ann were among the first people we met at Silver Bay almost 60 years ago. We enjoyed their company so much and loved hearing Stu's stories.

Edythe Wiener - April 16, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ To a well lived life. Fair sails my shipmate. Now sail on into the everlasting arms of our great and mighty Savior Jesus Christ for eternal life. USS Hancock crew (1963-1965)

Jack Divers - April 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ I have wonderful memories of Stu from his years at Charlotte Latin School. He was such a kind, funny man as well as a true gentleman. He was loved by both his students and the faculty. I also fondly remember Mary Ann. Cherish your memories

Jean Skidmore - April 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ Stu and Mary Ann were great neighbors on Lake George. They loved their boat, and the lake, and Silver Bay. They are missed!

Carolyn and Dave - April 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM

BI

“ Please accept my condolences on your loss. God promises he will soon eliminate death and suffering forever and bring back all those death has taken. May these guaranteed promises bring you hope and peace during this difficult time.

Billie - April 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ An avid tennis player, fisherman and boater, he loved Lake George. He mixed his wry sense of humor with a deep love of history, music and learning. Stu was a wonderful father and grandfather, and friend to all. He would say, "What a wonderful life!" Rest in peace Stu

Jan and Bob Whitaker - April 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ May god's loving kindness comfort you and help you through this sad and difficult time. Psalms 119 : 50,76 EJC. GA.

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