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Richard Bryan Hall, age 82 of Seaford, DE passed away at home on Saturday, May 28, 2022, surrounded by his children and many of his grandchildren. Beloved husband of Nancy (nee Lane); devoted father of Sonja Mehaffey of Seaford, DE, Kristen Hall Doddo of Dickson, Tennessee, David Hall of Green Bay, Wisconsin, and Kara Hall of Norfolk, VA. He was predeceased by a son James Adams and is also survived by many loving grandchildren, two of whom reside in Seaford, DE: Rocky Mehaffey and Amy Adams Dalton.

Born in Camden, NJ, he was the son of John James Hall and Marguerite "Peg" Carlin. He was the youngest of five children. He is predeceased by his parents and two sisters, "Honey" and "Tinker" and his oldest brother Jack. He is survived by his brother, William "Bill" Hall of Marlton, NJ, and many beloved nieces and nephews.

He graduated from Merchantville High School in 1957 and enlisted in the Navy. He served on the USS Noah (DD-841) as a radioman and was honored to have transmitted the radio call on February 20, 1962, to President Kennedy from Fleet Command on the recovery of Commander John Glen and his spacecraft Friendship 7. He later served on the USS Jonas Ingram (DD-938) and enjoyed talking about "becoming a Shellback when he crossed the Equator".

After his service in the Navy, he returned to New Jersey and became employed in the finance and home building industry, working for First Pennsylvania Bank in mortgage financing and later for Levitt & Sons and the Korman Corporation. In 1972 he decided to leave the homebuilding industry and return to college to pursue studies in the environmental field. He graduated from Richard Stockton University, then known as Stockton State College with a BS degree in Environmental Science. He became a Wildlife Biologist with NJ Division of Fish and Game & Wildlife where he worked for the rest of his career. He was a Certified Wildlife Biologist. Upon his retirement in 2000, he was the Regional Superintendent of South Jersey Land Management - Wildlife Management Areas. In 2001, he and his wife, Nancy, moved from their homes in Upper Deerfield, NJ and Wildwood Crest, NJ to Seaford, Delaware to be closer to the "kids".



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He enjoyed his black labs, tending to his Christmas tree farm, sailing on the Chesapeake, traveling and fine dining, birding, and visiting historic places, wildlife refuges and state parks. He was an avid reader and enjoyed his daily crossword puzzles, and, of course, watching "Jeopardy".

The family would like to thank the nurses of the 1st floor of TidalHealth, Nanticoke for their care and compassion and also, Compassionate Care Hospice for their outstanding care of Richard in his final days.

Services will be private.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations in Mr. Hall's memory to Ducks Unlimited, <https://www.ducks.org/sup>, or The Nature Conservancy, <https://secure.wcs.org/>.



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Sonja Rhae lit a candle in honor of Richard.

November 3 at 12:01 PM



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Wish you were here to advise me as I start a new journey. I miss you so much, but you are always with me

July 14 at 1:21 PM



Sonja Rhae lit a candle in honor of Richard.

July 14 at 1:19 PM



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July 5 at 8:07 AM



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Father's Day is so empty for me, today. I love and miss you, very much.

June 19 at 6:33 AM



Ray & Kathy Porutski posted:

Dear Nancy & Family -- So sorry to hear of Rich's passing. Ray and I both enjoyed working with him at Fish and Wildlife (his sense of humor was unmatched). So many great memories. You are in our thoughts, hearts and prayers.

June 15 at 11:36 AM



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June 15 at 9:15 AM



Bob Eriksen posted:

Nancy and Family: We were so sorry to hear of Rich's passing. Rich was a good biologist and a pleasure to work with. He and I came on as biologists around the same time (me jumping over from Fisheries and Rich starting a new career) and he assisted me with some wild turkey work in the southern counties. As the regional superintendent his crews did great work on wildlife management areas in the southern region. There are so many good memories of working with NJDFW. Rich's contributions to conservation in New Jersey are a legacy you can be proud of. We wish you comfort, strength and good memories. Bob and Sue Eriksen

June 13 at 3:50 PM



Patty McConnell posted:

Rich and I spent many weeks together catching and tagging fawns when we were young biologists working out of Clinton Mgt Area. He was initially assigned to Clinton and because he lived so far away, he lived in the office during the week. Rich never complained, was always cheerful, and just persevered until they gave him a better assignment. Because he was in the south and I was in the north, I didn't see him very often so I am glad that we started out together. He and his family are in my thoughts and prayers. Patty McConnell

June 13 at 9:45 AM



Joan Turpen Durand posted:

So sorry for your loss. I was one of Richard's classmates at MHS. He was always one of the kind guys and was a great classmate! Hugs and kind thoughts to his whole family. Joan Turpen Durand Class of 1957

June 13 at 1:10 AM



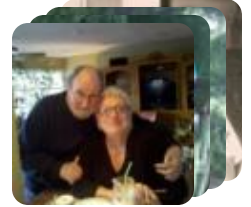
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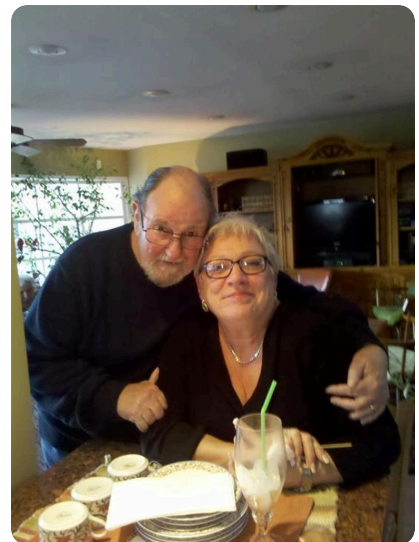
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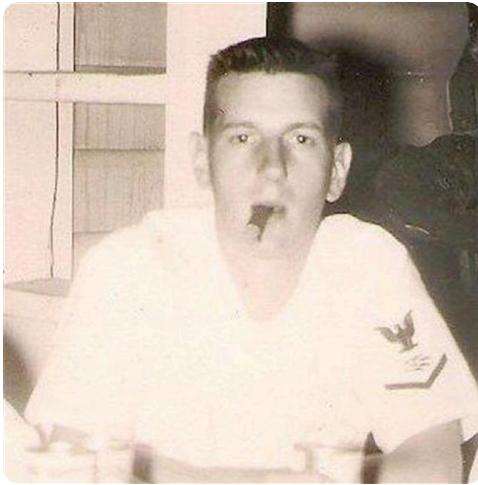
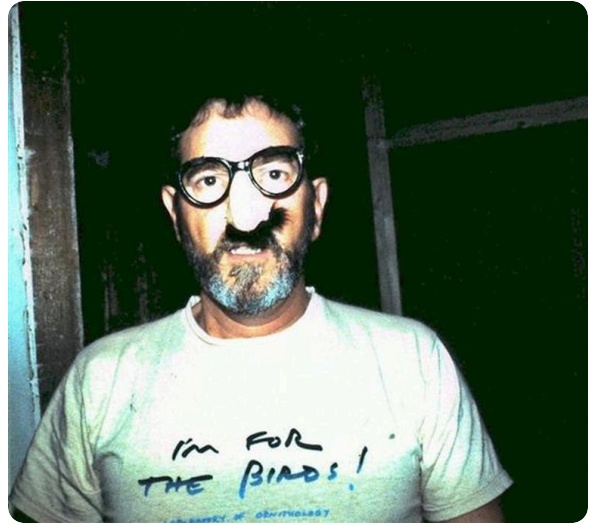
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Memories only last if you share them

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



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