Half Staff – George Stanley Patey

September 7, 2015



ROCKPORT: George Stanley Patey, 81, husband of Doris (Parsons) Patey, of Rockport, passed away peacefully on Monday, September 7, 2015, at Addison Gilbert Hospital surrounded by loved ones.

Stan was born in Newton on January 31, 1934, son of the late George and Hannah (Collier) Patey. A graduate of Brookline High School, he served in the U. S. Navy Seabees during the Korean War. Stan was a graduate of Northeastern University. He received his Master's and Doctorate of Education

Degrees from Boston University. Stan's career in education spanned many schools system across the northeast. He found his home serving as Superintendent of Schools in Rockport.

He and Doris were founding partners in Rockport Publishers, specializing in design books. After selling Rockport Publishers, they established Twin Lights Publishers, which creates photographic books.

Stan was an avid sailor and longtime member of the Sandy Bay Yacht Club. He was always happiest when he was with his family and high school sweetheart, Doris. They raised the wreck of a 36-foot sailboat from the depths of Sandy Bay, rebuilt and named her Confidence.

Despite struggling with Alzheimer's disease for 16 years, Stan always maintained his unending optimism and retained his love for Rockport and family.

In addition to his wife Doris, he is survived by his children, G. Stanley Patey III and wife, Jean (Peart), Douglas E. Patey and wife, Cristan (Anderson), Susan Nosiadek-Patey, Eric M. Patey and wife, Charlene (Douville); grandchildren, Jordan Thompson and partner, Jasmin Marty, Nicholas Patey, Meghan Patey, Jennifer Patey and husband, Michael Penn, Caitlin Patey and fiancé, Brittany Goodell, Daniel Patey, Benjamin Patey, Rico Nosiadek, Matthew Patey and fiancé, Kavita Jain-Cocks, Rebecca Patey, Sarah Patey; great-grandson, Jaden Thompson; his brother, Frederick Patey and his wife, Evangeline; sisters-in-law, Carol Parsons, Linda Douglas, Edna Thomas, and Trish Patey; and many nieces and nephews.

A celebration of Stan's life will be held on Saturday, September 12, from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Rockport Community House. Contributions may be made in his name to The Alzheimer's Association of Eastern Mass, 480 Pleasant Street, Watertown, MA 02472, or www.alz.org, or to the Sandy Bay Yacht Club, Post Office Box 37, Rockport, MA. 01966. Arrangements by the Greely Funeral Home, 212 Washington Street, Gloucester. For online condolences, please visit greelyfuneralhome.com.