

David Arnold

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Rockport - David Phillips Arnold of Rockport was born on July 27, 1938. David, youngest child of John K. and Margaret Arnold (Woessner), was a 1956 graduate of Gloucester High School and class president. After two years at the University of The South in Sewanee, TN, he received an appointment to the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis, MD. Following graduation in 1962, he was commissioned as an Ensign, selected for Nuclear Power School. He spent the following 21 years as a Nuclear Submarine Officer. During this time, he served in locations ranging from Pearl Harbor to La Madeleine, Italy. David served in an elite class of hand-picked officers by Admiral Hyman Rickover in the height of Soviet tensions during the cold war. David retired in 1983 as a Commander and returned to his beloved Rockport where he worked for several defense contractors for the

next 12 years. David spent the rest of his life traveling the globe, riding his Harley and golfing with his closest friends.

David is his survived by his wife Barbara Arnold (Clark) of 31 years; sons Daron Arnold, Todd Arnold, Brett Engel and Carl Engel; grandchildren Sean Arnold, Jacob Arnold, Dave Arnold, Ryan Arnold, Jordan Alberton (Arnold), Hannah Arnold, Abby Engel, Geoffrey Engel, Garrett Arnold, Jake Engel and Madeline Engel; loving daughters-in-law Mai Arnold, Susan Arnold, and Chris Engel; as well as several other nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his closest of siblings John K. Arnold and Marion Harding. A funeral service will be held in May at St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Donations in lieu of flowers can be sent to St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Rockport.