



Mr. John Thomas Epifanio

February 4, 1939 - December 25, 2012

John Thomas Epifanio, 74 years, died suddenly at his residence in Ft. Myers, FL

on Christmas Day, December 25th.

John was born in Baltimore, Maryland on February 4, 1939 and raised in the Remington area as the only child of Angelo and Marian Clark Epifanio. He was educated in the Baltimore school system and professionally by the Baltimore City Fire Department Academy. In Baltimore, with his parents, John attended the Episcopal Church of St. Michael and All Angels Church. Later St Michael and All Angels established a mission church in the Remington area known as Guardian Angel Episcopal Church, with John's father's help. John served many years as an Altar boy at the mission church.

He served in the U S Navy from 1957-1959 in Beirut.

Following his military time, John located in the Dallastown, Pennsylvania through his first marriage to Margaret Mulcahey. There he served several years in the local police department. While there, he had also volunteered with the local fire house, where his interest changed to affect his lifetime career. He applied and trained with the Baltimore City Fire Department and served as one of the first

paramedics with the department and in Maryland for approximately 25 years. He retired in 1988 as the Shift Commander of the Medical Bureau. John also did part-time work with the family owned Dulaney Valley Home of Lemmon-Mitchell-Wiedefeld Funeral Home, Inc. and Mitchell-Wiedefeld Funeral Home, Inc. from 1983 to 1998, where he was a valuable employee.

In his retirement John pursued his hobbies of boating, travel and involvement in service clubs.

In Baltimore he was a member and Past Commodore of the Baltimore Yacht Club (1993), Mt. Moriah Masonic Lodge # 116 in Towson, MD and the Boumi Shriners of Baltimore. When his wife, Pat retired, they moved to the Ft. Myers, Florida where John co-joined the local groups of the Masons and Shriners. He was a 32nd degree Mason.

He is survived by his wife, Patricia Clouse Epifanio of Ft. Myers, FL; two daughters, Mary Gibson and husband, Jack of Conway, SC; Margaret Siebeneichen and husband, Richard of Hagerstown, MD; two stepdaughters, Ellen Poor of Towson, MD and Emily Clark and husband, Casey of Hampstead, MD. He is the grandfather of Monica, Brian, Ashley, Megan, Justin, Joshua, Matthew, Rachel, Casey III, and Lindsey.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Shriners Hospitals for Children, International Headquarters, 2900 Rocky Point Dr., Tampa, FL 33607.

Cemetery Details

Druid Ridge Cemetery

7900 Park Heights Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21208

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 3. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Mitchell - Wiedefeld Funeral Home, Inc.
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Visitation

JAN 3. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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Service

JAN 4. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Dear Pat and Family,
Please accept my sincere condolences. As I am extremely saddened by your loss, I am forever grateful for having the opportunity to get to know John, and of course you Pat through Araba. You are both amazing people and I am the better for knowing you. He was, and always will be my favorite Shriner. His sense of humor and his ability to light up a room was inspiring and infectious. I can only hope that I too, can be as good a Shriner as John was. He left a beautiful footprint to follow. Godspeed my friend.
With Love,
Jonathan Karalekas*

Jonathan Karalekas - January 04, 2013 at 09:30 AM