



## George F. Cassell

August 31, 1945 - October 3, 2018

### GEORGE F. CASSELL

1945 – 2018

Our family is saddened to announce the passing of George F. Cassell, on October 3, 2018 following several years of declining health and courageous battles with cancer.

George was born in Plainfield, New Jersey where the family resided until relocating to the Boynton Beach area in 1955. He attended local schools, was a member of the 1963 class of Seacrest High School, was a talented Little League player, and avid car enthusiast. Following graduation, George explored many fields of interest including the publishing industry, construction, and auto repair. Saturday nights would find him at Palm Beach International Raceway awaiting his turn on the quarter mile. Ultimately his passion for building, repairing, and racing cars led him to establish Auto Service Center in Boynton Beach, later including Ernie Kitching as partner in the venture. From these beginnings, George moved on to establish multiple ventures including full service gas stations, retail and wholesale tire distributions, gas grill distribution, as well as building construction. He had a tireless work ethic, a knack for business, and was respected as an honest businessman. He was truly a self-made man.

Despite the long hours required to run successful operations, George found time to indulge his passions as well. After hanging up his racing helmet, he developed a love for fishing and could often be found on his boat, The Dirty White Boy, chasing dolphin, snapper, or sailfish. He later developed a passion for golf resulting in a second home in the mountains of western NC – on the golf course, of course. A master wood worker, he was content to spend his time away from the links finishing his basement, building furniture, bird houses, customizing golf carts, building handicapped ramps, and anything else needed to help the community. An excellent cook, he loved preparing food for family occasions and served up many a holiday meal from his grill.

George was a devoted and loving husband, father, grandfather, brother and uncle. While he was unable to get out much in recent years, his eyes lit up with each visit from his children, grandchildren, and friends. He was a faithful friend, supporting and lending a hand to all who had a need. Whether it be financing or lending his expertise to the development of a new business, sharing his expertise on a wide range of topics, or

supporting a wide range of charitable organizations. He set high standards for himself as well as those he knew and loved. As a result, he made us all stronger as individuals.

George was predeceased by his parents, Charles H. Cassell and Frances Chernin, his brother, Charles (Chuck) Cassell, and sister, Marilyn Mangus. He is survived by his wife of 49 years, Cheri Cassell of Ocean Ridge, son Chris Cassell (Kirsten) of Lake Worth, daughter, Carrie Cassell (Jose Ortiz) of Hendersonville, NC, sister, Suzanne Dillingham (Denny) in NC, sister, Linda Cassell in FL, his adored grandsons, Colin and Chase, and a host of nieces and nephews.

While it was difficult watching him fade, we were blessed to have had the chance to say goodbye and to spend quality family time in those final hours. Though saddened by his passing, we are grateful that he passed peacefully, comfortably, and painlessly, and are thankful that he is finally free of pain. He is truly loved and will be missed dearly. As per his request, there will be a private family gathering at a later date.

# Comments

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“ A beautiful, heartfelt tribute to a very deserving man. Blessings to the family. Jayne Fox, Fellow Seacrest HS classmate and admirer of a life well lived!

Jayne Fox - October 14, 2018 at 09:24 AM

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“ I too was in the Seacrest High School Class of 1963. So fortunate to have known George The human qualities we gained and standards and work ethics we learned in those years have blessed our lives. George was an achiever and a wonderful, thoughtful and considerate classmate and friend. What a fruitful life he lived. Blessings to the family. You can be so proud. Jayne Fox

Jayne Fox - October 12, 2018 at 07:50 PM

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“ "If you're going to live, leave a legacy. Make a mark on the world that can't be erased" ~ Maya Angelo  
This was my uncle, proud to have known him wish I would have known him better but reading this made me feel proud of him!! May he Rest In Peace and forever watch over his beautiful family he left us to enjoy!



kelli straub - October 11, 2018 at 10:19 PM