



George Kaskel Bernstein

September 17, 1933 - May 3, 2022

George Kaskel Bernstein (88)

Of Alexandria, VA, passed away on Tuesday, May 3, 2022. Beloved husband of Caryl S. Bernstein; loving father to Ellen Deborah Terry, Mark David Terry, James A Bernstein, and Susan Bernstein; brother to Rachelle Schaffzin; grandfather of Gus Passov, Shaina Bernstein, Leah Bernstein, Haley Passov, Annalise Reber, and Ari Bernstein. George will truly be missed.

A funeral service will be held at Jefferson Funeral Chapel, 5755 Castlewellan Dr., Alexandria, VA 22315 on Thursday, May 5, 2022, at 12:30PM. Interment immediately following at Fairfax Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Agudas Achim Congregation of Northern Virginia: 2908 Valley Dr., Alexandria, VA 22302. For guests who cannot attend in-person, the ceremony is viewable via livestream at www.jeffersonfuneralchapel.com

Previous Events

Funeral Service

MAY 5. 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM (ET)

Jefferson Funeral Chapel
5755 Castlewellan Drive
Alexandria, VA 22315
info@jeffersonfuneralchapel.com
<https://www.jeffersonfuneralchapel.com>

Graveside

MAY 5. 2:00 PM (ET)

Fairfax Memorial Park
9900 BRADDOCK ROAD
FAIRFAX, VA 22032

Tribute Wall



“ *Jefferson Funeral Chapel created a Webcast in memory of George Kaskel Bernstein*



Jefferson Funeral Chapel - May 04 at 12:33 PM

RB

“ *My heart goes out to Caryl and all of George's friends and family. I will miss George's jokes and talking baseball with him. What a special guy, I feel blessed to have met him.*

Rebecca Berkson - May 05 at 09:18 PM

DM

“ *A beautiful service of tribute to a fine person. So glad to be able to attend by streaming. I first met George when we were both insurance regulators. We played tennis at insurance commissioner conventions. We bonded as friends. George did me one of the best favors any friend ever received when he suggested Caryl as a candidate to be general counsel of Fannie Mae where I had just become CEO. George called me one day and said he had a candidate. I thought he meant himself so I replied that I was looking for a woman for that position. He said he was proposing a woman--"my wife, Caryl". Respecting George as I did, I knew this wasn't just family promotion, so I asked to interview Caryl. The rest, as they say, is history. Caryl and I had ten happy and productive years together before my retirement. Thank you, George, for being a special friend! Joan joins me in sending deep sympathy to Caryl and the others members of your devoted family.*

David Maxwell

david maxwell - May 05 at 01:44 PM

HE

“ I love you George from that day in in 1967 when you convinced my new husband to play baseball every Spring for years and years You outlasted them all. You played till your black jeans could play no more. Actually I think you played baseball beyond the black pants. I remember just a few weeks ago another trouser story. Your tux pants were a little snug and we laughed as you sported a rubber and concoction to stretch the waste. You weren't alone. Other gentleman had to let out tux seems. You loved people, your kids, your job. You never retired and your baseball. I remember your kindness, always more interested in other's comfort. I remember your smile, your jokes and your strong convictions. How you fought for what was right. I remember your love for Caryl and deep pride of Caryl and her accomplishments. You were a wonderful partner to Caryl and a wonderful friend to us. I love you George and will treasure the memories

Heidi - May 04 at 10:38 PM

SH

“ George was simply a powerful force, and he could tell jokes with the best of them. Almost four decades of working with him, he was a dedicated man with a passion for doing what he loved. I will dearly miss him and his visits to Vermont, I wish we had one last visit together.

Steve Hinchey

Steve Hinchey - May 04 at 10:03 PM

JD

“ To Mrs. Bernstein and all of your family: My sincere condolences to all of you on the loss of your beloved one. I worked with Mr. Bernstein for many years at Ambassador Insurance Company in Montpelier, VT. He was a wonderful and kind man and it was an honor for me to know him. He will be missed by everyone. Blessings to all!

Jane Deschamps
Barre, VT

Jane Deschamps - May 04 at 08:10 PM

JL

“ Joann LaRochelle lit a candle in memory of George Kaskel Bernstein



Joann LaRochelle - May 04 at 06:14 PM

JL

I loved Mr. Bernstein (George). He was a great man to work for. I worked with him for 36 years at Ambassador Insurance in Vermont. He was a great and wonderful man, He loved his family very much.

Deepest Sympathy Caryl and family

Joann LaRochelle

Joann LaRochelle - May 05 at 12:24 PM

HM

A most fitting tribute from a loving family who felt truly blessed to have such a loving, caring, dedicated, interested, humorous, inspiring, respected, devoted and irreplaceable husband, father, grandfather and brother (no "step-"neede) George would have been proud of each speaker and grateful for their love.

I too loved his friendship from our first days at Cornell Law to three weeks ago when he called me to share memories and good wishes. Peace to you my friend. Shalom. Harry Messina

harry messina - May 05 at 02:19 PM

MS

I often introduced George as my first ex-stepfather. And he was a dear friend since I was 11, or pretty soon thereafter. He and Caryl have been family to me now for decades. Jim and Susy shared parts of my childhood and I thank George for all of it.

He was tough, funny, a great story teller and a big, good influence on me. He was a very kind man. I have much to thank him for, not least of which is bringing Jim, Susy and Caryl into my life. My deepest condolences to them and all. The world is a better place because he was in it. My life also. And both are diminished by his absence.

He had phenomenal luck with brilliant, beautiful women, excellent taste in cars, and an exceptional work ethic. He was bright, funny and one of the best baseball players I ever knew.

I am grateful for his being in my life, for his help, for the example he set, and for the 2nd bicycle he bought me in 1974 which I still ride today. I will miss him. My thanks to Caryl for all of her support: And my deepest condolences.

Love to all,

Mark (Tad) Smith

Mark Smith - May 05 at 02:56 PM

RE

I did not know Mr. Bernstein, but I feel like I knew him in some ways through the stories of respect and admiration that I was fortunate enough to hear about from James Bernstein, his devoted son and the many fine words delivered by the speakers at this memorial service. James is a fine example of the outstanding character that George bestowed upon his family. George may have left us for now, but he has left a wonderful legacy in the family and friends that he has produced and been surrounded by. Know that we will all see him again someday and I will look forward getting to meet him in person when that time comes. My heartfelt condolences go out to the Bernstein family and friends. May you be comforted in this time of grieving.

Russ Emery

Russ Emery - May 07 at 12:20 PM