



## Edward M. Cohen

October 25, 1931 - December 18, 2017

Edward (Ed) M. Cohen, 86, died December 18, 2017, after a struggle with lung cancer. He is survived by his adored wife, Elly Kempler Cohen; daughters Diana (Richard) and Wendy (Barry); and grandsons Jordan, Jeremy, Sander, and Asher. Born in Brooklyn, New York, Ed attended Stuyvesant High School and then Brooklyn College and pursued a master's degree at University of California, Berkeley. He met Elly Kempler in college, and they married in 1952. After being stationed in Germany with the U.S. Army, Ed became a Foreign Service officer. Over 39 years, he served in Niagara Falls (Canada), Bermuda, Greece, Ecuador, Sweden, and East Pakistan (now Bangladesh). In retirement, he became a published and regarded paleolinguist. He also pursued his lifelong passion for early jazz and recorded several original and acclaimed compositions. Funeral service will be held at Temple Rodef Shalom, 2100 Westmoreland St. Falls Church, VA on Thursday, December 21, 2017 at 10:00 AM with interment to follow at King David Memorial Gardens. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to a cancer charity of your choice.

# Tribute Wall



“ *I have fond memories of Ed. We served together in the embassy in Quito, Ecuador, I as Commercial Attache when Ed was Economic/Commercial Counselor. Later, it is Ed who talked me into becoming Chairman of the Secretary's Open Forum in the Department. I am sorry I did not learn of Ed's demise sooner. Norm LaBrie*

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**Norman LaBrie** - February 02 at 02:50 PM



“ *Edward M. Cohen*

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October 27, 2022 at 09:45 PM