



## George Selby

February 14, 1947 - December 21, 2015

George Selby grew up in the Bronx near Yankee Stadium and was a loyal Yankees fan. He earned a Master of Fine Arts and spent several years teaching art in New York City public schools. In the mid-70s he left New York for Virginia opening and running an antiques and brass bed store in the heart of Old Town Alexandria.

He later joined the Federal Government working for several agencies, such as the National Archives, the Library of Congress, and the Census Bureau, where he spearheaded the printing for the 2010 Census. He served as president of the National Association of Government Communicators and enjoyed competing in Toastmasters events. Ever the artist, he taught himself calligraphy and was hired to address invitations to one of President Reagan's Inaugural Balls. In between jobs with the Federal government, he spent several years at AARP where he met and married his wife, Tricia. They had a daughter, Amanda, now a senior in college. He recently retired from another federal agency: the U.S. Ability One Commission where he was director of Communications and External Affairs.

George had a passion for yard sales and was an avid collector. He authored the Official Yard Sale Handbook. He loved history, especially military history. He traveled extensively throughout Europe, the Middle East, and North Africa as well as to almost every state in the U.S., including Alaska and Hawaii. He

loved to write and learn new languages. He had a passion for anything vintage, especially classic cars and airplanes. One of his dreams was fulfilled when he flew in a WW2 B-17 bomber.

George was a loving husband, father, son, uncle, son-in-law, brother-in-law and friend. He was equally loved by many relatives and friends who shared his interests, sense of humor and passion for life. He will be missed dearly and remembered for his generous spirit and how he made us all laugh.

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# Tribute Wall



“ George Selby

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“ I and my deceased wife Agn&#195;&#168;le (2012) got to know George and his family as next-door neighbours in 1998-99 when I was posted by the Australian government to the Naval Research Labs in Washington DC. I cannot think of George alone, but always as part of his family with Tricia and Amanda. We kept up our friendship and visited with my wife again later after returning to Australia. George and his family were so friendly and welcoming, they made us feel at home. George took on every challenge, including personal illness, with energy and determination, he had so much to live for, especially his family. George, Tricia and Amanda will forever remain my neighbours in my heart. God bless them.

February 14, 2016 at 12:00 AM



*“ He was an amazing boss and person. I enjoyed are talks and the things he taught me. He always made you feel like were more than a employee under him. He had a passion for yard sales that he shared here at the census bureau with CFC event every year. He has been truly missed here. My heart goes out to his family he always shared such great stories about you all. Praying for you all. Rest in Peace George you have truly left a mark here on this earth an will always be remember.*

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January 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM



*“ Best boss ever... Just reached out to him a couple of months ago and his message just brightened my day...You will be missed!*

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January 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM



*“ I went on a couple of yard sale trips with George and met him at others. I played cards once or twice with him too. He was a gentleman and will be missed. Rest in peace, Shalom my brother.*

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January 05, 2016 at 12:00 AM