



David Scott

October 12, 1934 - May 8, 2015

David Graham Scott age 80, died Friday, May 8, 2015 at Tidelands Community Hospice House.

David was born on October 12, 1934 in Boston, Massachusetts to Helen Graham and Clifford Scott. He was raised in New Hampshire by his foster father Woolsey Hopkins and lived on Abbott Hill, Wilton NH. He graduated from Wilton High School class of 1952. He was a graduate of the University of New Hampshire in 1960 with a degree in Civil Engineering. David was on active duty in the U.S. Army Engineers from 1955-58 stationed in Germany. He was a driver and radio operator and technician for field maneuvers for the Radio Unit and received the rank of Sargeant. He loved being in Germany and participated in rebuilding during peacetime. He was a member of the U.S. Army Reserve from 1958-1963. David served as professional Planner for the cities of San Diego, CA, Syracuse, NY and Laconia, NH. He received his Masters in Community Planning for the University of Rhode Island in 1971. He served as Executive Director, Lakes Regional Planning Commission for 11 years and Director of Policy Planning, Office of Comprehensive Planning for the State of New Hampshire until he retired in 1995. David was active in many community initiatives, including the Building Committee for the new Gilford Middle High School, Gilford, NH in the early 1970's. He loved anything to do with family, watching soccer, traveling, music, playing golf, sailing where he served on the Yacht Racing Committee at the Winnepesaukee Yacht Club during the 1980's , gardening and the beach at Pawleys Island.

Survivors include his wife of 55 years, Donna Gayle Rogers Scott; children, Karen Scott and her husband John Taylor of Plainfield, VT , Dawn Robbins and her husband Mark of Oakview, CA and David Scott, II and his wife Emily of Coralville, Iowa.

As per his wishes, there will be no calling hours. A private family ceremony and internment will take place at the Cathedral of the Pines in Rindge, NH later this summer.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to: the Stephen Ministry of the Presbyterian Church in Pawleys Island, SC.

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Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel is in charge of the arrangements.

Tribute Wall

BW

“ Donna, I am so sorry to hear about Dave's passing. He was an amazing public servant who fervently believed in his profession, his family and the good people of New Hampshire. And one of the nicest, kindest and intelligent people on this planet. Knowing him made other's lives richer and better. Perhaps that's the greatest thing that can be said of a person.

Bert Wakaley - July 08, 2015 at 05:57 AM



“ Karen and family....I am so sorry for your loss. He sounds like a wonderful man and father and I know you will miss him.

Lauren Betz - June 21, 2015 at 05:58 PM

BK

“ Dave was among the greeting party that welcomed me to NH in September 1986, making sure that I was set up and supported in my efforts to restart the Central NH Regional Planning Commission. Dave made sure that I got all the help that NHOSP could provide in my efforts and was a stand up supporter of planning and regional planning in NH. All of we planners of a certain age knew Dave and appreciated his contributions. He is missed, but his legacy lives on. I am sorry for the loss to his family. I hope it helps them to know many others mourn his passing and are thinking of them.

Bill Klubben - May 19, 2015 at 07:05 AM

JC

“ I'm so sorry to hear of Dave's passing. I worked with Dave at OSP from 1982 until his retirement. He was my first planning "boss" when I moved to NH, graduating from URI in planning, just like Dave. I learned a lot from him and loved his passion for planning and his strong beliefs in its importance. Dave's retirement party from OSP is still etched in my memory... It was quite an event. I still have my T shirt, Dave made us all parting gifts, T shirts that said: " I attended Dave Scott's retirement party." I asked him to autograph mine..... A lot of wonderful memories, he always spoke so fondly of his family at work too..... In many ways, Dave was like family to us staff as well. He's been missed in the planning profession here in NH. With condolences, Joanne Cassulo

Joanne Cassulo - May 18, 2015 at 07:48 PM

WU

“ RIP Soldier !!!!
Wayne Williams
United States Marine Corps

Wayne Williams - USMC - May 13, 2015 at 07:20 AM

NJ

“ We are so sorry for your loss. What wonderful memories we have of your life here in Gilford including P.O.S.H. and all those horse related events as well as sailing adventures based at WYC. Sincere condolences!
Andy & Nancy Johnson

Nancy Johnson - May 12, 2015 at 09:21 AM