



## David R. Foster

March 19, 1947 - August 27, 2019

David R Foster (aka Young David), born in Pittsburgh, PA on March 19, 1947 passed away peacefully on August 27, 2019.

Even as a child, David had an inclination towards engineering. He was always building intricate models of airplanes and boats.

David graduated from Baldwin High School in Pittsburgh and received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Physics from Indiana University of Pennsylvania. He was commissioned a 2nd lieutenant in the Army ROTC Program at IUP and served tours of duty in both Germany and Vietnam. In Vietnam, he was a fire direction officer in the Artillery Division of the Army.

David married his wife Joanne of 48 years on R&R in Honolulu during his Vietnam tour of duty.

Upon returning to the states, he obtained a degree in Civil Engineering from Johns Hopkins University.

He enjoyed participating in softball, tennis, chess, sailing, canoeing, camping, and especially fly fishing, which became a passion for him in his later years.

With his sailing buddies, David enjoyed 20+ years of annual guys trips throughout the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries.

In later years, David became enamored with fly fishing, even to the point of tying his own flies. Every spring there was an annual fly fishing trip with his brother and friends. He also enjoyed a relaxing afternoon solving the world's problems and enjoying a brew with his local tavern buds.

Being the nature lover that he was, David visited many of our National Parks. His interest in the outdoors was passed on to both his daughter, and his grandchildren in the form of their interests today in both camping and hiking. PopPop David also enjoyed beach

vacations, board games, and spending holidays with his grandchildren.

David is survived by his wife Joanne, daughter Jessica (m.Dewayne Vaughan), grandchildren Devin, Justin, and Annabelle as well as brother Thom and sister Nancy.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to either Wounded Warriors Project (Wounded Warrior Project PO Box 758517 Topeka, Kansas 66675-8517) or Hospice of the Chesapeake Foundation (John and Cathy Belcher Campus, 90 Ritchie Highway, Pasadena, MD 21122).

# Previous Events

## Memorial Gathering

SEP 5. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Lasting Tributes Cremation & Funeral Care  
814 Bestgate Road  
Annapolis, MD 21401  
info@lastingtributesfuneralcare.com

## Memorial Service

SEP 5. 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of David R. Foster.*



September 05, 2019 at 12:07 PM



“ *Thom, Joanne and Nancy and David's family.  
I'm so sorry to hear of David's passing. I met David when Thom had his heart attack. He was very kind to me and I could sense he was a very caring man. I know he will missed greatly. Words can never express the pain of losing someone you love so deeply. May his family find comfort in their memories and prayer.  
Love to Thom and David's family.*

**Janet Adkins** - September 05, 2019 at 01:32 AM



“ *Sadly, I am unable to attend the life celebration for David, but wish to offer condolences to Joanne, Jessica, his family & friends. I first met David in the late 70's, working with him & the other engineers at Greenman-Pedersen was such a fun time, which I often remember and have to laugh...(playing pool and drinking beer at Cantler's)  
I will remember David's sense of humor, his kindness and easy-going nature.  
He will be missed. With deepest sympathy, Linda Holmberg*

**Linda Holmberg** - September 04, 2019 at 12:33 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of David R. Foster.*



September 04, 2019 at 10:18 AM



“ Joanne; I remember 2 visits I had with you and David, the first was when you invited me to your home in MD and took me on a tour of Naval academy grounds, made me a great dinner, and we went out to eat my first soft shell crabs. David was so cordial and inviting to the cousin he was meeting for the 1st time. The 2nd trip was when you guys came to PA and were going I think it was kayaking and hiking and stopped by Mom and Dad's to visit then we went to the brewer's outlet so David could take home some good Yuengling beer.  
Take care cousin and think of those fun things when the memories get tough to remember. Grandbabies always make things better so spend time with them and know that a part of David lives with them. Love you Mary Fran

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**Mary Fran Kaminski** - August 31, 2019 at 06:54 PM

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“ Dave was my first boss at MES. He taught me so much, how to use a computer, make a spreadsheet, manage projects. He also made work fun. He had a great sense of humor and liked to laugh. He was a wonderful engineer and lived to see his projects built, even if it was just something simple like a shed. My thoughts are with his family.

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**Cecelia Donovan** - August 30, 2019 at 07:41 PM

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“ Thom, Joanne and Nancy and the Foster Family,  
Diane and I are so sorry to hear of David's passing. Di and I were remembering the wonderful roof top dinner we had with David and Joanne in Cincy...delightful evening of good conversation. It was fun to see the two brothers together. Our thoughts are with you all at this difficult time. Enjoy and relish in the rich life you all had together.  
Diane and Howard

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**howard and Diane Yasgur** - August 29, 2019 at 09:13 AM



“ I only met David once, when 'little brother' Thom was in the hospital, following a heart attack. He was a calming influence, and a solid personality. I wish I had known him better, and I thank him for his service, and am sad that our country did not take care of our veterans from Vietnam, better than they did. He certainly did not deserve what he got, but such is the nature of war, waged by politicians. Our best and brightest pay the price.  
May your memory be a blessing to your family. Rest easily, David.  
Love to Thom, and David's family.

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**Mitch Leventhal** - August 28, 2019 at 05:41 PM

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“ *sitting on Pop-Pop's lap together in Pittsburg 65 years ago.*

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**betsy breault** - August 28, 2019 at 04:13 PM