



Mr. Nathaniel Lewis Cox

March 18, 1935 - April 18, 2015

Nathaniel Lewis Cox, 80, of Springfield, Massachusetts, went home to be with The Lord on Saturday, 18 April at Sacred Journey Hospice, McDonough, Georgia. He was the eldest child of Nathaniel and Christina Cox. He was raised in Cleveland, Ohio. After graduating from John Adams High School, he attended Case Western Reserve University and Hiram College where he received his Bachelor of Science degree in Engineering. He then proceeded to lead a distinguished career with the Atomic Energy Commission, Martin Marietta, various divisions of the United Technologies Corporation, General Electric and finally Lockheed Martin Corporation. Throughout his professional lifetime, Lewis worked with many programs of national significance including NASA's Saturn manned space program and many Department of Defense projects.

On 27 December 1955, Lewis married Allene Williams. During their nearly 60 years of marriage, they built a wonderful life together from Cleveland, to Denver to Springfield where they raised their children and became valued members in their communities. Upon retirement they spent several years enjoying life in Howard (Apple Valley), Ohio. They travelled extensively throughout the United States, Asia, Europe and the Middle East. They have countless friends and no matter whom they encountered, they always left a positive impression. The 'dynamic duo' was a wonderful team who simply led by example and treated everyone with respect, dignity and love.

Lewis had many passions. In a world that overuses the term “Renaissance man”, he was truly one for the ages. He was interested in everything, intellectually curious with an insatiable thirst for knowledge: education was of utmost importance. The word ‘eclectic’ came to mind with anyone who met him; he could converse about all subjects. He could talk to any stranger and at the end of the conversation the person was his best friend. He had time for everyone and no topic was off limits. He had a profound passion for classical music, the sciences (especially science-fiction), astronomy, and above all... trains.

He had an unshakable faith, a clear sense of right and wrong, a desire for fairness and justice, a tireless work ethic, a strong compassion for those who struggle in life, full of warmth and caring with a total love of family and friends. He was an encourager and challenged everyone he came in contact with to strive to be the very best they could be. A model of patience and quiet determination, Lewis was a true man of God.

Lewis was preceded in death by his mother, Christina, father, Nathaniel, and brother, Joseph. Those left to celebrate his life include his beloved wife of 59 years, Allene, sons Andrew (Vickie) and Paul and daughter, Stephanie Neloms (Robert), three grandsons Ryan Cox (Alexandra), Kyle Cox and Taylor Neloms; and one great-grandchild, Arya Hope Cox. He is also survived by his eleven first cousins Alyce Marian Rabb Blake (David), Shirley Ballard Miller, Robert M. Miller (Enqi), Elmer “Bubba” Cox, Billie Ware Hicks, Kenneth Cox, Melvin Cox, Stanford M. Jones, Roy West (Edna), Lewis West and Iris West, in addition to a host of relatives and friend who will remember him fondly.

Funeral Services for Mr. Cox will be held at 11:00AM Friday, April 24, 2015 at Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Home SOUTH DEKALB Chapel. Visitation is Friday 10:00AM until the hour of service. In lieu of flowers, please make a

donation to the Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Foundation at www.mskcc.org/ or giving.mskcc.org

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“ I worked with Lew at GE. He was a knowledgeable great guy and I considered him a friend and mentor. He had many stories to tell of growing up and of his career. I will miss him. I consider myself privledged to have known him. He was rightfully proud of his wife and kids. He talked of his family often.

Karl Kascha - February 26, 2020 at 08:21 AM

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“ Love, Barbara Wright purchased the Blooming Garden Basket for the family of Mr. Nathaniel Lewis Cox.



Love, Barbara Wright - April 22, 2015 at 10:58 AM

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“ When we suffer the loss of a love one it can be devastating however it should be comforting to know that God desires all of us to live forever as noted at John 6:40 “This is the will of my Father, that everyone who recognizes the Son and exercises faith in him should have everlasting life.” We should take solace in the fact that one day Death will be no more. As stated here at Revelations 21:4 “He will wipe out every tear from their eyes, and death will be no more.”

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