



David C. Morton

December 23, 1940 - September 5, 2020

David C. Morton, beloved husband, father, and grandpa, passed away September 5th at home with his loving family by his side, after a three year battle with mesothelioma. He was the husband of 59 years of Barbara (Finan) Morton who survives him.

David was born in Groton, MA on December 23, 1940. He was the youngest son of the late Walter Finemore Morton and Agnes (Dugay) Morton.

A lifelong resident of Groton, he attended the local schools, graduating with the Groton High School Class of 1960, where he was Class President for three years. Following high school, he entered the journeyman apprentice program in the offset printing department at Murray Printing Co. in Westford, MA. He worked there for 13 years. He worked another 13 years at Hale-Moore Printing in Ayer, MA in printing management before starting his own company in 1985, M.T.C. Printing, of Fitchburg-Leominster that he owned and operated for thirty years until his retirement in 2015.

Dave was an avid skier and took trips to European destinations including Switzerland, Austria, France, and Italy as well as Canada, often accompanied by his children and grandchildren. Vail, Telluride, and Park City, were his favorite out-West destinations. In New England, he could be found at Watchusett Mountain in MA, Sunday River in ME, and Cannon and Attitash

Mountains in NH for family ski trips. He and his wife, Barbara, enjoyed spending January and February for over 20 years in Naples, Florida, as well as vacationing with family in the summer months in the White Mountains of NH and the coast of Maine. The Colony Hotel and Resort in Kennebunkport, ME was a favorite spot to visit for special occasions.

David leaves his wife of 59 years, Barbara (Finan) Morton, three daughters and son-in-laws: Allison Morton Hurley, his advocate and best friend and her husband Terrance Hurley of Townsend, MA, Sharon Eaton and her husband Richard Eaton of Dublin, OH, and Susan Morton and her husband Joseph Madden of Groton, MA, six cherished grandchildren: Shannon and Molly Hurley of Fitchburg, MA, David Hurley of Townsend, MA, Joseph, Erin, and Anne Madden of Groton, MA, 6 favorite nephews, 4 nieces, many cousins, and his brother-in-law, William H. Finan of Ayer, MA.

In addition to his parents, David was predeceased by his siblings: Florence Martin and her husband James B. Martin, Sr., Walter Finemore Morton Jr., and Frederick Donald Morton.

The family would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to Dr. J. Paul Marcoux of Dana Farber Cancer Institute and his caring team, especially, Pamela Calarese, N.P. who went on this journey with us as well as Cardiologist and PCP, Dr. Adam Cerel. They also wish to express their appreciation to Nashoba Nursing and Hospice Service for taking such good care of Dave in his final days.

David's funeral service will be held on Friday, September 11, at 11AM in the Anderson Funeral Home 25 Fitchburg Rd., Ayer. Calling hours will be held on Thursday, September 10, from 4 to 7 PM in the Funeral Home. Face coverings and social distancing guidelines will be practiced for all services.

David's ashes will be buried in the family plot in the Groton Cemetery at the convenience of his family.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in David's name to Dana Farber Cancer Institute, Lowe Center for Thoracic Oncology, 450 Brookline Avenue, Boston, MA, 02215.

Cemetery Details

Groton Cemetery

Chicopee Row
Groton, MA 01450

Previous Events

Calling Hours

SEP 10. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Anderson Funeral Home - Ayer
25 Fitchburg Road ~ Route 2A
Ayer, MA 01432
(978) 772-2355

Funeral Service

SEP 11. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ I will never forget what Uncle David did for our family. His support during our journey with my Dad is a true tribute to the man he was. My fondest memory during that time was when he came to Clinton to visit my dad. We had some pretty challenging days that week. When Uncle David walked in to the room, my dad said- Hi ya Dave with a big smile on his face. We all just laughed. My dad perked up while Uncle David was here and then passed away a few days later. It was during that time that I came to realize how committed to family that Uncle David was. I will always be grateful for the opportunity we had to get to know him. My deepest sympathies to Aunt Barbara, Allison, Susan, Sharon and your families. I know you will miss him deeply. My thoughts and prayers are with you this week and for the days to come.

With love, Lisa Morton Lee

Lisa Morton Lee - September 10, 2020 at 09:34 PM

DM

“ David & Penny Martin & Family & Sandy Martin purchased the Plants-A-Plenty for the family of David C. Morton.



David & Penny Martin & Family & Sandy Martin - September 10, 2020 at 01:37 PM




“ *Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White was purchased for the family of David C. Morton.*



September 09, 2020 at 09:21 PM



“ *So sorry to hear of this loss. So many fond memories of skiing at Attitash and Sunday River with Susan and her family. Always followed by fun at the pool and big group lunches and/or dinners at the Grand summit.* 

Gena Orlando - September 09, 2020 at 12:50 PM



“ *Our deepest condolences go out to Aunt Barb and the girls!*

I think Jimmy did a great job capturing the essence of Uncle Dave, alias 'Mort'!

We all have some wonderful memories of him!

He certainly had a full and satisfying life, w/lots of great times along the way w/family, nieces, nephews and friends!

He will, indeed, be sorely missed!!!

Rest in Peace, Mort!

Love, Lucy and Dave



Lucy Martin - September 09, 2020 at 10:44 AM

BM

“ I've never seen anyone in my life fight like david did. doing the things he loved to do with the people he loved. I'm sure there is snow in heaven my blessings to u barbara and your family. Gods peace. love betty

Betty mahon - September 09, 2020 at 07:40 AM

JJ

“ I am going to miss my Uncle David every day for the rest of my life! He was the most unflappable person I have ever met and that always impressed me immensely. If things were bothering him, you would never know about it. He did not complain to any great extent and was about as even keeled as anyone I have ever known. He was quiet most of the time but when something funny occurred, his laugh was the best! I was always glad to see him and to talk with him. We had a lot of family history between us and we enjoyed recalling it together. In my opinion, he was a fabulous father to his three daughters and a fantastic grandfather to his grandchildren. He was a very positive but quiet force in his family and he is already terribly missed. As Aunt Barbara said the other day, the family will never be the same again. I have been very proud to have been his nephew and fortunate to have had him as my uncle! There was only one Uncle David and he was the best!! He may be gone now but my memory of him will be with me always!

With deepest Sympathy, Love and Respect, Jim and Donna Martin, Auburndale, FL formerly of Townsend, MA

Jim Martin Jr - September 08, 2020 at 09:27 PM



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