



Donald J. Castor

April 11, 1936 - July 14, 2023

AYER: Donald J. Castor, 87, of Ayer, died Friday, July 14, 2023 at his home.

Mr. Castor was born in Lowell, April 11, 1936, a son of Carl and Mary (Hayes) Castor and has resided in Ayer for over 55 years. He graduated from the Concord School System.

For over 50 years Mr. Castor worked in the maintenance department at Fenn School in Concord before retiring in 2016.

Mr. Castor enjoyed working in his garden, going for walks, listening to Country Music and was an avid fan of the Boston sports teams.

He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Phyllis E. "Peppy" (Phalon) Castor; two daughters, Wendy Y. Campos of Ayer; Rachael M. Langlais and her husband Jason, of Ayer; seven grandchildren, Amy Strong, Rebecca Strong, Jason Langlais Jr., Veronica Langlais, Audrey Langlais, Liliana Langlais, Robert Langlais and a great grandchild, Peregrin Strong.

He was predeceased by his son, Michael J. Castor of Fall River who passed away earlier this year; his brother, John Castor of Marlboro, and sister Betty Castor.

Mr. Castor's family will receive relatives and friends at a visitation period Thursday, July 20, 2023 from 4-6:30 PM with a time of reflection being offered at 6:30 PM at the Anderson Funeral Home, 25 Fitchburg Rd. (Rte 2A) Ayer. Please see www.andersonfuneral.com to leave an online condolence.

Previous Events

Calling Hours

JUL 20. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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

A Time of Remembrance

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Tribute Wall

JB

“ Donald was amazing: Kind, thoughtful, gentle, caring, and personable. He always said hi whenever we crossed paths, and there was not a day when he did not smile or laugh. When I would come in during the summer to do some work, he often joked that I spent more time in class during the summer than during the school year! Like the sun and moon, he was a constant presence, and I enjoyed talking with him and seeing him every day. I remember him constantly moving chairs in Robb Hall and doing whatever needed to be done without complaint or hesitation. The world was better having him in our lives.

Jon Byrd

Jon Byrd - July 29, 2023 at 08:56 AM

BS

“ Donald was the true essence of Fenn: hard work and Fun. I talked to him every day and we exchanged stories. I was so sad when he retired. He was a truly good man who will be missed.

We send our Love 

Bob and Kathy Starensier

Bob Stareniser - July 20, 2023 at 04:01 PM

JC

Donald had already been at Fenn for 7 years when I started in 1970. He worked for Arthur Davis, Don Scraggs and Dave DiPersio. He worked with his father-in-law Bob Phelan and his brother-in-law Bob Kolios. He invariably greeted everyone with "how ya doing?" I will always remember his love of Tanya Tucker, his singing of country and western songs as he went about his job. Whenever I lamented about what messes Fenn kids left everywhere Donald would disagree with me, "job security for me" he would say. When he finally retired I suggested that if Fenn were to pay him a nickel for every chair he had moved in Robb Hall over the years he would retire a rich man. For more years than anyone else Donald was as much the heart and soul of Fenn as Albright, Biscoe and Star. Jim

Jim Carter - July 20, 2023 at 04:34 PM

DD

“ I am so sorry for your loss. The guys at Fenn always miss morning coffee with Donald, and talk about him all of the time. Always loved listening to his stories, talking about the Boston sports teams and what music he loved. Rest in Peace old buddy. Dave

Dave DiPersio - July 18, 2023 at 02:52 PM