

William Carlton Coes



William "Bill" Carlton Coes passed away at his home on October 19. Bill, the son of the late Rufus Putnam Coes and Susan (Carlton) Coes, was born on April 8, 1943 in Springfield, MA. He graduated from Longmeadow High School, Longmeadow, MA, in the class of 1961. He earned his Bachelor of Science degree in mechanical engineering from the University of Hartford, CT, in 1965. Bill joined General Electric in 1965 and worked in Installation and Service Engineering out of Philadelphia until 1968. He then moved to Schenectady where he continued to work 38 more years for General Electric Gas Turbine Controls. Sailing since his boyhood summers on Lake Winnepesaukee, NH, Bill raced his Thistle, with his wife as first mate, at the Saratoga Lake Sailing Club for many years. He enjoyed traveling, including trips to the southwest US and Asia where his daughters lived. His visit to Cambodia's Angkor Wat was a special highlight. Bill's family remembers his talent for amusing cartoon drawing, creative photography and delicious cooking. They especially remember his wry wit, his calming patience and his unconditional love. Bill leaves his wife of 47 years, Lora Lee (Ekmejian) Coes; his daughters, Alissa Lee Coes of Tucson, AZ and Sara Ekmejian Coes (Xiao Jun Dong) of Honolulu HI; his grandchildren, Logan Thomasson, Raeanna, Parisa and Lucia Dong. He also leaves his sister, Julia Callanan (Eugene) of Providence, RI; and two brothers, Peter Coes (Linda) of Cummaquid, MA and Rufus Coes (Linda) of Small Point, ME. He was predeceased by a third brother, Frank Coes (Susan). The family will hold calling hours at the Townley & Wheeler Funeral Home, 21 Midline Road, Ballston Lake on Thursday, October 29 from 4 to 6 p.m. A requiem service will be celebrated on Friday, October 30 at 10 a.m. at Calvary Episcopal Church, 85 Lake Hill Road, Burnt Hills. Relatives and friends are welcome.

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