ROBERT GERALD TAYLOR

Robert Gerald Taylor, 70, (Father of John R. Taylor '86) died Saturday, May 3, 2008 at Baltimore-Washington Medical Center after being in declining health for the past several years.

He was born October 6, 1937 in Baltimore, Maryland to Marguerite Lillian Taylor (nee Roberts) now of Surry, and the late Robert Lincoln Taylor. A 1960 Graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy he served until 1970 as a Navy Pilot assigned to aircraft carriers.

Following his time in the service he worked for several defense contractors which took him to Leonardtown, Md. for eight years, followed by five years in Oregon where he worked in furniture sales. He then returned to Maryland with his wife of 47 years, the former Helen F. Musser and has resided in Glen Burnie, Md. for the past 10 years.

A member of American Legion Post #40, a former member of the Masonic Order, he also is a past president of the Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Southern Maryland. In his spare time he enjoyed hunting, fishing, camping, playing squash and tennis and farming. He also served as an election judge in Anne Arundel County.

He is survived by his daughter Jennifer O'Rourke of Flemington, N.J.; sons Robert G. Taylor of Glen Burnie, Md., Charles S. Chuck Taylor of Millersville, Md., John R. Taylor of Crofton, Md., and Chris A. Taylor of Annapolis, Md., as well as sisters Alyce S. Afzal of San Antonio Texas and Gwynn Wiita of Surry. He is also survived by 19 grandchildren.

Mr. Taylor will be greatly missed by his family and many friends.

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