



Ford Winter

June 26, 1937 - Nov. 18, 2022

Ford Winter of Morganton, NC, passed away Friday, November 18, 2022.

He was born in Ossining, NY on June 26, 1937, and he spent most of his life close to the Long Island Sound in Rye. He enjoyed boating, and his last boat was a tugboat, the Richard B. Owen.

In 1955, he had joined the US Navy and served four years about the submarine, USS Conger. It was then that he and fellow shipmate, Billy Ray Jarrett (of Morganton) began their lifelong friendship with a common interest in automobiles.

Ford's interest drew him to make many trip from New York to visit Billy Ray, Fred Propst, Howard Keys, and his sons and friends. At the Keys Used Cars lot, he spent many happy hours listening to the stories of humor and adventures told there. He would retell those stories in New York, so when he retired from teaching, he and his wife, Neva, moved to Morganton, delighted with the beauty of the mountains and the friendliness of the people living here. Ford and Neva were living here at the time of his passing. Their beloved sons, John and Kevin, hope to settle here as well.

A celebration of Ford's life will be held at 2 p.m., Saturday, June 17, 2023 at the Rye Recreation Center, 281 Midland Avenue, Rye, NY.

Memorial contributions may be made to Save the Bird Homestead, 624 Milton Road, Rye, NY 10580 or to the Ford Winter Fund to promote studies and actions to protect Long Island Sound waters.

Sossoman Funeral Home and Crematory Center is assisting the family.

Tribute Wall

To the Winter Family Sorry to hear of the passing of Ford I started swimming for Ford when I was 5 years old at Rocky Ledge We practiced in the 3ft deep water 25m length We had some good times I remember the family day production Ford would put on with the others The life guards The Zumbach's Carol Ruth at the end of the season Still look for Ford at the home in Hawthorne wondering. How he and Neva are Ford Winter Swim club Hammocks pool God Bless Ford
BJ Mackenzie

–BJ Mackenzie



Through our mutual friend, Fred Propst, I was priveleged to meet Ford and his wife when they moved to Morganton. Such a nice couple. I am glad to know they enjoyed living in our town. May he rest in peace. Condolensces to his family.

–LAURA McCOY