Benjamin Allan Shaw

Benjamin Allan Shaw, age 89, a Washington, DC native, died June 28, 2017 in Frederick, MD. The son of Benjamin and Ella Shaw, he was a gifted athlete at Calvin Coolidge High school (class of 1945). He lettered in football, basketball, and baseball. After US Coast Guard service during the final stages of World War II, he played several seasons of minor league baseball for the Washington Senators in Emporia, VA. Utilizing the GI bill, he graduated from the University of Maryland in 1952 with a degree in electrical engineering. In 1947, he married Barbara Heath (1928-2012). His professional career began at the Naval Ordnance Lab in White Oak, MD and then he moved on to the aerospace division of GE in Ithaca and Utica, NY. In 1974, he became a senior executive with Singer Corporation and was able to travel the world with Barbara. He thoroughly enjoyed his years of retirement in Williamsburg, VA engaging in his favorite activities of tennis, golf, and wood working. The last years of his life were spent in Buckingham's Choice where he remained a gentleman of dignity, warmth, and strength to all who knew and loved him. His loving family was a special source of pride to him and he leaves behind his four children and their spouses - Mike and Carol Shaw, Janet and Phil Kaufman, Jim and Carolyn Shaw, Sue and Don Cunningham, his beloved 11 grandchildren and spouses, his 14 great grandchildren, and Emily Carnochan, his cherished companion. Internment and celebration of Allan's life will be private. Those wishing to honor his memory may make a donation to the American Heart Association or the American Cancer Society.

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