



George S. Durgan

September 4, 1938 - October 2, 2024

George S. Durgan of Lawrenceville, Georgia passed away peacefully on Wednesday October 2,

2024 with his wife and daughters at his side. He was 86 years old.

George was born on September 4, 1938 in Quincy, Massachusetts to Mary (nee MacQueen)

and Elford S. Durgan (both now deceased). He graduated from Westfield High School in New Jersey.

After high school he attended Cornell University and Yale University, attaining a Master's degree

and PhD (ABD) in Economics. He taught Economics at the University of Connecticut until

September 1966, when President Lyndon Johnson appointed him to a post as Foreign Service

Officer. While in the foreign service he and his young family lived in Hermosillo, Mexico and

Tokyo, Japan. The last decades of his career were served with the Georgia Department of Revenue.

George's work in Mexico and Japan—and a trip to Hong Kong in 1970—inspired a keen interest

in Pre-Columbian civilizations and in the history and cultures of Japan and

China. Years later, he returned to Mexico to explore sites of ancient Mayan civilizations and also traveled to Spain. He loved visiting museums and historical sites. George had a brilliant mind, an encyclopedic memory (our own personal Google), and a quick wit. He was predeceased by his first wife Judith Dianne (nee Rathke) Durgan. From 1976 through 1986, George raised their three young children on his own. He was also predeceased by his son Geoffrey Sturtevant Durgan, who died in 1998. George is survived by his beloved wife of over 26 years, Christine (nee Rauschenberg) Durgan; his brother Robert Durgan (Jeanne); his daughters Tracey Durgan and Leslie Durgan; and his grandchildren John Finnefrock, Christopher Durgan, Jason Durgan, and Elizabeth Creed (Ryan). He also leaves two nieces, a nephew, several stepchildren, grandchildren, and great grandchildren. Services will be held Wednesday, October 9 at 11:00 am at Holy Cross Anglican Cathedral in Loganville.

Cemetery Details

Arlington Memorial Park

201 Mount Vernon Hwy
Sandy Springs, GA 30328
(404) 255-0750

Previous Events

Funeral Service

OCT 9. 11:00 AM (ET)

Holy Cross Cathedral
3836 Oak Grove Road
Loganville, GA 30052

Tribute Wall



“ Tracey & Leslie purchased the Simply Elegant Sp
athiphyllum for the family of George S. Durgan.



Tracey & Leslie - October 07, 2024 at 04:20 PM



“ Alice I. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of George S. Durgan.

Alice I. - October 07, 2024 at 03:15 PM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased
for the family of George S. Durgan.



October 07, 2024 at 06:32 AM



“ The Gutter Crew Bowling League planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in
honor of George S. Durgan.

The Gutter Crew Bowling League - October 06, 2024 at 06:41 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of George S. Durgan.*



October 06, 2024 at 06:41 PM



“ *Cynthia, Brian, Cristy & the Grandkids purchased the Heavenly Grace Spray for the family of George S. Durgan.*



Cynthia, Brian, Cristy & the Grandkids - October 05, 2024 at 02:20 PM