

HOWARD HERMAN HUPE, JR.

Howard Herman Hupe Jr., died on July 13 2023 at the age of 86. He was a magnetic, brilliant, complex personality who loved travel and food, wheeled and winged vehicles, science, solitude, sitcoms, and nature in all its forms. Born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania on March 24 1937 to Howard H. Hupe Sr. and Marie E. Frick, he treasured his brother, James H. Wilson (now deceased). Howard attended Ingram and Crafton High Schools and in 1958 graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering from the (then) Carnegie Institute of Technology. He briefly studied at Harvard, then earned his MBA at the University of Oregon, where he almost completed his doctorate but was lured away by professional adventures. Howard worked for General Electric, doing top-secret work for the US Air Force. In Washington D.C. he served as a civil servant with the US government — at the US Commerce Department, HEW, and eventually Treasury. He briefly worked at Comsat General in Business Development. Howard's professional positions included Aerospace Engineer, Telecom Systems Analyst, Communications and Management Specialist, and Foreign Affairs Officer. His work opened the doors of the world and he ended up living in San Salvador, Germany, Turkey, and Saudi Arabia, while traveling all over Europe, Asia, North Africa, and the Middle East. Howard spent his retirement in Sequim, Washington, where he was able to indulge his passions for model airplane building, motorcycling and bicycling, spiritual growth, and forest walking. He remained close to a special group of friends he collected throughout his life. He was an intellect to emulate and a spark of light and laughter to his daughter, Pallas Hupe Cotter. Father of Kurt Howard Hupe (now deceased), Howard also leaves behind his former wife, Nita Patricia Carson Gignilliat; grandsons, Carson and Cade Cotter; son-in-law, Steve Cotter; as well as extended family members of the Frick, Hunter, Schaefer, Gaber-Krill, and Amrhein families in the Pittsburgh, PA area and eastern Ohio. Howard looked at life as a great gift and was looking forward to the adventure that lies ahead.

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