

EDWARD A. URBEN



Age 76, passed away on April 24, 2024 in Virginia after a courageous battle with Parkinson's.

Ed was born in Pittsburgh, son of the late Paul and Margaret (Lucas) Urben. He grew up in Whitehall, graduated Baldwin High School (1965), and The College of Steubenville (1969), where he met his future wife, Tharba Link.

Ed began his career in the U.S. Army, first in the Corps of Engineers and later as an Adjutant General Corps officer. His Army career included multiple tours in Hawaii, a master's degree in hotel and restaurant management at Purdue University, and several assignments in the National Capital Region. He retired as a lieutenant colonel in 1991 after 21 years of service. After retiring from the Army, Ed served as the general manager of the Maryland Club in Baltimore, MD, Hackensack Golf Club in Oradell, NJ, and the Army Navy Country Club in Arlington and Fairfax, VA. Ed loved his family, golf, and all things Pittsburgh—from Arnold Palmer to Mister Rogers, the Pirates, Steelers, and Clark Bars! Ed had a zest for life and learning new things. He enjoyed photography, music, history, and Jeopardy and cherished his Wired hair fox terrier. Ed had a kind and sensitive heart will be deeply missed by those who loved him.

Ed is survived by Tharba, his wife of 53 years; children Heidi and Andrew (Ashley), granddaughters, and his sister Kathleen Piscitelli.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated on Monday, April 29, 2024 at 11:00 a.m., St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church, Lake Ridge, VA, with burial at Arlington National Cemetery at a future date.

The family asks that any donations be made to the John Hopkins Parkinson's Disease and Movement Disorder Center.

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