

SAMUEL REED SUCCOP



Samuel Reed Succop, 75, a native of Pittsburgh, PA, passed away peacefully on July 21, 2024, in Asheville, NC, with family by his side.

The son of the late John C. And Jean Succop (née Eddy), he was born on April 10, 1949, in Pittsburgh, PA. Sam grew up in the Squirrel Hill neighborhood, attended Shady Side Academy and graduated from The Kiski School. Sam served in the Navy and achieved a degree

from Carnegie Mellon University in 1976. Upon moving to Atlanta, GA, he forged a career as an HVAC technical engineer which afforded him the opportunity to travel extensively in the US and Caribbean. In 2010, he relocated to Asheville, NC to pursue semi-retirement.

Sam was a third-generation Chautauquan, and his time at the Chautauqua Institution had a life-long impact. There, he discovered his passion for sailing, which he pursued for decades, in the form of racing in local regattas at the Lake Lanier Sailing Club and later working committee for the same and joining multi-day races on the open ocean. The friends, values, and relationships he found in Chautauqua always held a very special place in his heart of hearts.

He loved music and was also fascinated by the way radios and stereo equipment worked, often found with his hands inside a subwoofer. He was an avid and creative 'tinkerer' and loved a good project, whether automotive, electronic, or related to home renovation. He loved travel, adventure, and driving, and especially valued time with family and long-time friends.

Sam is survived by his three children, five grandchildren, adoring siblings, and many nieces and nephews, all of whom miss him madly.

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