



## Anthony Francis Arnold

October 19, 1937 - February 12, 2022

Anthony Francis Arnold (Tony), a resident of Bonita Springs, Florida passed away peacefully on Saturday, February 12, 2022. He was born October 19, 1937 in London, England. Tony was preceded in death by his parents Maurice A. Arnold and Cecilia Pert Arnold; and his beloved sister, Mary Arnold James (Terry).

Tony was educated in public schools Newels and Brentwood; he graduated from Sir John Cass College, University of London with a PhD in Electrochemistry. He married Shirley BC Arnold in Watford, England 53 years ago. After immigrating to the United States, Tony worked in research for industry. For his work he received 16 U.S. patents and one international patent. After retiring, he taught chemistry, first at Vassar College and then at Florida Gulf Coast University (FGCU). He retired from teaching and began assisting pre-school children with their English and reading to the blind at FGCU, PBS radio.

He is survived by his wife, Shirley BC Arnold; children, Catherine FA DeShetler (John) and Keith AA Arnold. He had five grandchildren, Lauren F. Crafton, David K. Crafton, Robert W. Crafton, Morgan DeShetler Adams (Ian), Daniel F. DeShetler (Jovanalee); and great grandson, Theodore S. DeShetler.

A visitation and time to share will be Sunday, February 20, 2022, from 12 PM

– 2 PM located at Fellows, Helfenbein, and Newman Funeral Home, PA. 106 Shamrock Rd. Chester, MD 21619 followed by his interment at Stevensville Cemetery, Stevensville, MD.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Greystone Programs 700 South Drive Suite 203, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533 or FGCU Radio PBS, 10510 Florida Gulf Coast University Blvd., South Fort. Myers, FL 33965.

Arrangements are being handled by Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home, Family Owned Since 1978.

# Cemetery Details

## Stevensville Cemetery

Stevensville, MD

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB **20**. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein, and Newman Funeral Home  
106 Shamrock Road  
Chester, MD 21619

# Tribute Wall



“ Anthony Francis Arnold

October 09, 2023 at 03:40 AM



“ I worked with Dr. Arnold in the Chemistry Labs at FGCU. He always was very helpful to the students and wanted them to succeed.

Mary Newman - February 18, 2022 at 09:21 AM



“ I was the director of Radio Reading at FGCU and. Tony was a wonderful asset to the program. Always warm, compassionate and faithful. He was admired by all who knew him. He provided a great service to the blind listeners and his friendship to the other volunteers meant so much. He will be solely missed by all who knew him. Too bad there aren't more like Tony Arnold in this world. So sorry to hear of his passing. (Nancy Singer)

Nancy Singer - February 16, 2022 at 12:21 PM



“ It was with a saddened heart I read the obituary of a Dear Radio Reading friend Dr T as he was affectionately known. I shall treasure the memories of reading with him, sharing his poetry and his friendship. The perfect English gentleman! As an avid gardener myself I wish I had kept his poem about being the King of his garden, always brought a chuckle. He will be missed deeply by many. My condolences to Shirley and the family.  
Thank you  
Shirley Bharath

Shirley Bharath - February 16, 2022 at 08:52 AM