



## Cecil Duncan MacRae

April 14, 1940 - April 26, 2024

Cecil Duncan MacRae, of Bonita Springs, Florida, passed away on April 26, 2024, after a lengthy bout with cancer. He was born on April 14, 1940, in St. Louis, MO.

Duncan (as he was known by family and friends) will be remembered for his joyfulness, his loving dedication to his wife and sons, and his tireless curiosity. After high school at John Burroughs School in St. Louis, he earned his undergraduate degree at Harvard College and traveled to Cambridge University for his Ph.D. in Economics. In his mid-fifties, he decided to pursue a career in law and earned his LL.M. in Taxation from Georgetown Law School.

Duncan had a long and varied career in academia, think-tank research, government service, and as a tax attorney. He taught economics at M.I.T. and the U.S. Naval Academy, and law at Singapore Management University at different points in his career. His economic research focused on public policy issues at the Urban Institute, with the U.S. Departments of Treasury and Housing and Urban Development. After switching to law as a career, he worked as a corporate tax attorney in Washington, D.C.

Throughout his life, Duncan enjoyed travel, amateur radio, sailing, volunteering with the Coast Guard Auxiliary and Salvation Army, and participating in numerous Bible study groups across several different

churches. He especially cherished his membership at St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Bonita Springs.

He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth MacRae, sons Colin MacRae and Andrew MacRae, and sister Carroll Taborga. He was preceded in death by his mother, Winifred MacRae, and will be buried beside her in St. Louis, MO.

A Requiem Holy Eucharist will be celebrated on Thursday, May 9, 2024, at 11:00 AM at St. Mary's Episcopal Church 9801 Bonita Beach Rd. SE Bonita Springs, FL. Additional services and burial will be held at the Bellefontaine Cemetery, St. Louis, MO.

To sign his guest register or to leave online condolences please visit [www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com](http://www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com).

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

# Cemetery Details

## **Bellefontaine Cemetery**

St. Louis, MO

# Previous Events

## **Holy Requiem Eucharist**

MAY 9. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Mary's Episcopal Church  
9801 Bonita Beach Rd SE  
Bonita Springs, FL 34135  
(239) 992-4343

# Tribute Wall

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“ I had the pleasure of working with Duncan at Treasury from 1983-1985. He was a wonderful, highly competent colleague. My wife and I now reside in Naples but did not realize Duncan lived here too. I send my condolences to Duncan's family. Ron Pearlman

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**Ronald Pearlman** - May 07, 2024 at 12:57 PM

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“ Dear Elizabeth, Colin and Andrew, Duncan and I were at USCG Auxiliary Flotilla 96 together. He was my study partner for a Search and Rescue Course. He helped me in so many ways to master the intricacies of Navigation, Set and Drift, Tides and details of establishing a pattern to conduct a search. It was my pleasure to know him. We had many conversations about the economy, international business and the current state of affairs around the globe. He was a gentleman with a great wit. I will miss him. Duncan wishing you "Fair Winds and Following Seas"  
Sincerely,  
John Talanian

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**John Talanian** - May 05, 2024 at 02:42 PM