



George D. Cardoza

October 20, 1941 - February 23, 2024

George D. Cardoza, 82 passed away peacefully in his Florida home on Friday, February 23, 2024 surrounded by his family. He was born October 20, 1941 in Providence, Rhode Island a son of the late Frank Cardoza of Providence, RI and Zelma Lipson Cardoza of Brookline, MA.

George is survived by Joyce his loving wife of 59 years; two sons, Robert A. Cardoza and George B. Cardoza and wife Kathleen (Fogarty) Cardoza. He is also survived by his brother, Dwight Cardoza and his wife Debra (Nunes) Cardoza; brother in-law, James Sherlock and his wife Eleanor (Babcock) Sherlock; daughters-in-law, Rosemary Mernick and Kerri Neill; grandchildren, Benjamin Neill Cardoza wife Nicole Halmi, Courtney Beth Cardoza, Max Henry Cardoza, Sydney Jean Cardoza; and great grandchild, Sylvia Cardoza Halmi. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his eldest son, Jerald A Cardoza in 2021.

While in his late teens, George belonged to the Cruisers Hot Rod club George drove the clubs dragster reaching a speed of 150 mph “fast for those days.” Later in life George traded his love of dragsters for his love of his Corvettes. George served 6 years in the Rhode Island National Guard attaining the rank of Specialist 5th Class.

At 25 George entered the Pest Control industry as a technician and rose to be

the President of the New England Pest Management and Vice President of National Pest Management. George was also accredited with founding the Rhode Island Applicators Association of which George was not only their first President he was also given license #1. In 1992, George and Joyce opened Budget Termite & Pest Control that is still operated by son George B. Cardoza.

George not only enjoyed being a member of private clubs, he also was an active member serving as House Chairman for Potowomut Golf Club, President and board member of Bonnet Shores Beach Club, Golf Chairman and multiple board positions for Worthington Country Club. He also launched Worthington's first ever website as their webmaster. George and Joyce spent winters at Worthington Country Club in Bonita Springs, FL and spent their summers in their Warwick, R.I. home while enjoying their cabana at Bonnet Shores Beach Club in Narragansett R.I. Sports cars, fishing & golf were his hobbies and George will always be remembered for his stories.

A Celebration of Life will be held for George in Rhode Island later this year.

Online condolences may be offered by visiting www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com.

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

Tribute Wall

TB

“ I'm so very sorry to learn of George's passing. He was my boss at G&B but also my friend and mentor. He didn't teach me everything that was important about the business, but everything he taught me was important. I had a career, not just a job, because George had faith in me and pushed me to be better. I'll always be grateful to him. Rest in peace, my friend. (Tom Brennan)

Tom Brennan - January 07 at 05:39 PM

AR

“ Before moving to Worthington CC, our Realtor arranged a round of golf...George was our playing partner. He told us (and sold us) what a great place this is and how wonderful the people are. Upon moving to WCC, Ali had an unfortunate accident, breaking her ankle and requiring multiple surgeries. George knew we only had a small, 2-seater vehicle and without hesitation, he handed me the keys to their brand-new Lexus and said, "keep it as long as you need". He said we could not travel to and from the Doctors and hospital in our little car.

We will always remember George for his huge heart, his great smile, and oh yes, his stories!!! Thank you George (& Joyce) for your friendship! Rest in peace. Ali & Bob Riccio

Ali & Bob Riccio - March 21, 2024 at 07:35 AM

GF

“ George, a strong man until the end. A wonderful father, father in law and grandpa to us all. We appreciate you and all you have done for our family:

We will cherish all the fun family memories in Florida, Bonnet Shores, New Hampshire, Warwick and a few other “special trips” we were fortunate to enjoy together!! Loved by so many and will greatly be missed.

Love ❤️ George B., Kathy, Courtney and Max. ❤️

George B.Cardoza Family - March 21, 2024 at 04:15 AM

DC

“ Joyce and Family,

Jen and I, as well as Katie and Grace, extend our condolences and sympathy to you in celebrating George's life. What a wonderful man he was. We all met George as part of the Bonnet Shores family, and completely enjoyed his stories and the friendship that you both offered to us. George was certainly larger than life as he strutted the second floor deck and offered his opinions on how things should be run, lol. He never failed to seek me out, often yelling, "Where's Davey?", or "How's the airport?" when seeing my family or me. By the way, he was the only one to call this 60-year-old "Davey". We will all cherish the joy, happiness, and friendship that George brought into our lives, and wish you comfort in your loss.

Dave and Jen Cloutier, and Kate and Grace Allard

David Cloutier - March 19, 2024 at 04:54 PM

DJ

“ Dave & I want to send our condolences at George’s passing. He was a neighbor & friend at Worthington’s & we always enjoyed his company. I enjoyed golfing with him and we had some lively competition with lots of great memories made. We remember the pride he had in his vehicles and seeing him polishing them outside their home. He touched many lives and will be remembered long after these days. Blessings, Linda & David Johnson

David & Linda Johnson - March 19, 2024 at 08:53 AM

GC

“ Had many fun loving golf memories with George. So wanted to get to see him this year. Will miss him. George Crowley

GEORGE JOSEPH CROWLEY - March 18, 2024 at 08:12 PM

MS

“ Sincerest condolences. I'll always remember the 18 holes that we played together at Lake of Isles (arranged for by George Jr.).

Mark Herbert Sholl - March 18, 2024 at 11:37 AM

KC

“ Joyce, Bob, George and families, Heaven has gained an Angel. George was a wonderful family man and friend. Sorry for your loss. RIP George!



Kathy Conley - March 17, 2024 at 05:45 AM

GR

“ I only knew George ("Georgie") in our childhood years. Many happy memories with his and our family. George was a great guy from the start. Not at all surprised by his wonderful life story.

Gary Rabold, son of Freda and "nephew" of Aunt Zelma

Gary Rabold - March 16, 2024 at 01:40 PM