



Howard Owen Merriman

December 25, 2011

Howard Owen Merriman, born May 13, 1933 in Columbus, OH, son of the late John "Jack" Phillips and Mary Ethel Humphreys Merriman. Graduate of West High School, class of 1951; Miami University, BS, 1955, The Ohio State University, BS, 1964, MA 1966, PhD 1968. Commissioned officer, US Navy Supply Corps, served during the Korean Conflict; manager of family retail stores, teacher and educational administrator in Columbus, OH; superintendent and teacher Lakeville Schools, Otisville, MI. Survived by loving wife, Dorothea S. Merriman; daughters, Carolyn Nell "Bitsy" Merriman (Brandon) Melton, Elizabeth Verona Merriman (Paul) Walton, Sarah Ann Merriman; son, William Owen (Laura Stansell) Merriman; grandchildren, Katherine Ann Walton, David Griffith Walton; sister, Martha Merriman Macklin. Calling hours 5-8 p.m., Tuesday, December 27, 2011 at RUTHERFORD-CORBIN FUNERAL HOME, 515 High Street, Worthington. Funeral Mass 10 a.m., Wednesday at St. Peter Catholic Church, 6899 Smoky Row Road, Columbus, OH 43235. Father Dean Mathewson, Celebrant. Interment with military honors, Resurrection Cemetery, Lewis Center, OH. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Welsh Society of Northwest Ohio, c/o David Whittington, Pres., 2000 W. Lincoln Hwy, Elida, OH 45807 or Charity Newsies, 4300 Indianola Ave., Columbus, OH 43214 in Howard's memory. Please visit www.rutherfordfuneralhome.com to send on-line condolences.

Tribute Wall



“ *Howard Owen Merriman*

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ *I considered Howard my mentor in my career with the Columbus Public Schools. He was a gifted educator and a good friend. I just now learned of his passing. My sympathies are extended to his family.*

Gary Thompson - January 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Howard was one of the most visionary educators in the country. I was lucky enough to work with him on a daily basis. We shall all miss him, but will always remember his contributions to the Columbus Public Schools.*

Jim Hyre - December 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dorothea and family, You have my thoughts and prayers in the passing of Howard. I have many happy memories of him, from West High School, seeing him at Seiller's Department Store, our Class reunion and luncheons. My prayers were with you today at Mass at St. Peter Church, and will continue when I attend Mass at St Michael Church. Rita, "June Class of 51"*

Rita Westerman - December 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ Columbus schools had no truer friend than Howard Merriman. His entrepreneurial sense and gentle leadership served especially well during difficult school levy campaigns. He helped us all keep listening to the customer. He was a guide by our side. We were fortunate.

F. Michael Lorz - December 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BR

“ I am so very sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

Barbara Reed - December 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DV

“ Sending you so much love... We are thinking of you and your family...

Debbie and David Valois - December 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SV

“ Howard was my mentor and friend. He launched my career with the Columbus City Schools and was always supportive and helpful throughout our time together in the district. We had some wonderful times together both professionally and socially. He will always hold a special place in my heart and be missed.

Stephen Vargo - December 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ My condolences to Dottie and Marty on the loss of Howard. Dottie, it's been such a long time since we've seen each other. Nevertheless, my heart goes out to you.

Libby Wetherholt - December 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM