



Henry M. Maine

March 18, 1928 - May 11, 2018

Henry M. "Hank" Maine, 90, Columbia, died Friday, May 11, 2018. Born March 18, 1928, in Willimantic, Connecticut, he was a son of the late Harold Maine and Florence Card Maine.

After completing high school in 1946, Henry entered the Marine Corps and underwent training at Parris Island, SC. He served in the Marines two years before receiving an honorable discharge in 1948. He continued his education at Northeastern College in Boston, but in 1950, returned to military life, joining the U.S. Air Force. He completed Radar Observer School in Waco, Texas in 1952 with the rank of Second Lieutenant and was sent to Japan where he served until 1955. After returning to the United States, his duty stations spanned the country including New Castle, Delaware, Navigator school in California, and serving as advisor to Air National Guard in Great Falls, Montana. While in Great Falls, he received a degree in Accounting and also joined the Shriners, Sojourners and Masons, reaching the coveted thirty second degree. He later transferred to Fairchild AFB in Washington as Navigator of a KC-135 for the Strategic Air Command.

After his marriage in 1965 to Marie Boles, Hank was assigned to the Air Force R.O.T.C. program the University of South Carolina, and he and his bride began their new life in Columbia. He served with distinction at USC, rising to the position of Assistant Professor of Aerospace Studies. He served in Vietnam from 1969 until 1970, at which time he became Commandant of the Non-Commissioned Officer Academy in Albuquerque, New Mexico. In 1972, after leaving military service, he returned to USC to complete his Masters Degree in Accounting. He was employed at Midlands Technical College in Columbia until his retirement in 1990. While at Midlands Tech, he was recognized as an "Outstanding Faculty Member".

Henry was an active member of Forest Lake Presbyterian Church, where he served as Deacon, Head Usher at worship services, and assisted with the church's Soup Kitchen.

He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Alice Marie Boles Maine; a niece, Virginia MacVicars; and his harem. In addition to his parents, Mr. Maine was predeceased by a

brother, William Maine.

The service for Mr. Maine will be held 11 o'clock, Saturday, May 19th, at Forest Lake Presbyterian Church, 6500 N. Trenholm Road, Columbia, with The Rev. Dr. Ellen Fowler Skidmore officiating. The family will receive friends following the service. Shives Funeral Home, Trenholm Road Chapel, is assisting the family.

Events

MAY **Service** 11:00AM

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Forest Lake Presbyterian Church
6500 North Trenholm Rd, Columbia, SC, US

MAY **Reception** 12:00PM

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Comments



“ Henry Maine was a beautiful man in spirit and in deed. I will always remember his kindness and warm smile from the day I met him at the University of South Carolina. I know he will be missed and always remembered by the lives he touched. I hope this message reaches you, Marie.

Love,

Ruthie Cusick (ne: Weisberg)

Ruthie Cusick (Weisberg) - August 06, 2018 at 12:05 PM



“ I feel so blessed to have had Henry in my life. He always lived life to the fullest and encouraged all of us to do the same. I don't think he ever met a stranger and he spread joy everywhere he went. Cathy Hagen Stowe

Cathy Hagen Stowe - June 09, 2018 at 11:17 AM



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Dear Marie,

The obituary for Henry was really beautiful and full of amazing information about his military background that I either never knew - or more likely, had forgotten because of the years that have passed since I last saw him.

When I first came to Midlands Tech to teach in the accounting department in 1982, one of the first people to welcome me was Henry. I had never taught before and was really nervous about those early days. Bruce Tallant, my boss, gave me some good advice: learn from Henry Maine - and I did. Henry was more than kind enough to help me.

He not only welcomed me at school but also welcomed me into his home and for that I can also thank you, Marie. The two of you were great people and became my extended Tech family along with Becky, Eddie and Harry during the five years I was at Tech and beyond.

Henry never met a stranger and if you were lucky enough to share a basement office with him, he brightened the dingy walls every morning with his warm genuine smile. That Tech time seems a time long ago and far away now, but I can still see Henry walking past my door, smiling and waving good morning to me.

We lost one of the good guys.

Marie, I will be thinking of you with warmest wishes in the days and weeks to come.

An old friend,

Sheila

Sheila Morris - May 16, 2018 at 08:06 AM



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I too am heartbroken to learn of Hank's passing. What a great friend he has been. I will never watch another USC women's basketball game without remembering him. My thoughts and prayers are with Marie and other family members.

Kathy Riley

Kathy Riley - May 16, 2018 at 07:10 AM



“ Susie & I have such wonderful memories of our dear neighbor Henry. You could not find a better neighbor than Henry & Marie. We are heartbroken at his passing. I will never forget after we moved in next door in 1989 & I had somehow gotten on our roof from a 6 ft ladder on picnic table, but I could not get back down. Henry came & rescued me w his 12 ft ladder all the while gracious & smiling!

Chip Slaughter - May 15, 2018 at 09:35 AM



“ Saddened to hear this news...
Deepest Condolences to all of you

Patti Thomas Barnett - May 15, 2018 at 10:37 AM



“ Deepest sympathies to Marie and the Maine Family. His smile, like him, was warm, friendly, sincere and always welcoming. An avid Gamecock fan, he had a special liking for the women's basketball team. I was fortunate enough to go to many of the home games with Hank. We in his Church call our members who make the Heavenly Journey, Saints. Truly, Henry was a Saint here on earth. Rest in Peace my friend.
Mike and Deborah Joyce

Michael Joyce - May 13, 2018 at 03:29 PM



“ My condolences to you, Marie. I know you will miss this inspiring, amazing man.
Pat Dukes

Pat Dukes - May 21, 2018 at 09:13 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Henry M. Maine.



May 13, 2018 at 02:25 PM