



Anton Gerald "Gerry" Ohlidal

May 23, 1935 - May 23, 2023

Anton Gerald Ohlidal, of Clear Brook, Virginia, passed away peacefully on May 23, 2023.

Born 1935, in Schenectady, New York, Mr. Ohlidal was the son of Anton F. and Mary A. (Matura) Ohlidal.

A 1953 graduate of Mount Pleasant High School in Schenectady, he also earned an Associates degree in Hotel Management from Paul Smiths College, 1955, and received a Bachelors degree in Hotel Management from Florida State University, Class of 1959.

Mr. Ohlidal proudly served in the US Army, 28th Infantry, 24th Division, stationed in Munich, Germany, 1959-1962. He received a commendation from Major General Edwin A. Walker for his work in Courts and Boards. Known as "Tony O." among his Army buddies, he was also teasingly dubbed "The Hangman of the 28th" for the volumes of court marshal documents he typed daily.

Following his military service, Mr. Ohlidal began his career by joining the American Hotel Corporation to manage the famed Necho Allen Hotel in Pottsville, Pennsylvania and The Coronado Hotel in Pampa, Texas.

Transferring to the newly formed Holiday Inn Incorporated, Mr. Ohlidal oversaw numerous hotels in the Midwest and along the East Coast. Changing industries, he worked for Potomac Foods of Virginia and later founded and managed his own successful food brokerage firm, Blue Ridge Concentrates, in Winchester, Virginia.

An avid outdoorsman, Mr. Ohlidal hunted and fished the mountains and streams of New York, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, and the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia. The Adirondacks especially held fond memories of his parents' second home "The Camp" on the banks of the Great Sacandaga Lake. He was a former member of The Pottsville Club, Rotary International, B.P.O.E. Elks, Loyal Order of Moose, The Fraternal Order of Eagles, Knights of Columbus, The Izaak Walton League, Windy Pines hunting group, and a lifetime member of the National Rifle Association.

Within a week of moving to Pottsville, Pennsylvania to manage the Necho Allen Hotel, he unexpectedly met a pretty blonde woman while they both shopped at Pomeroy's department store. He wed Mariann T. Baross in 1962 and they celebrated 60 years together.

Mr. Ohlidal is predeceased by both parents and his brother, Leroy A. Ohlidal (Priest River, Idaho). He is survived by his wife, Mariann, and children, The Reverend Canon Susan Ohlidal (St. Johnsbury, Vermont), Nick Ohlidal (San Diego, California), and Sara Ohlidal (Clear Brook, Virginia).

A funeral service will be held at Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church in Winchester, Virginia on Friday, June 2, 2023 at 10:00am. Burial will be private.

Previous Events

Service

JUN 2. 10:00 AM.

Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church
130 Keating Dr
Winchester 22601, VA

Tribute Wall

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“ *Lanny Melissa DeHaven lit a candle in memory of Anton Ohlidal*



Lanny and Melissa DeHaven - June 02, 2023 at 05:31 AM

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“ *Joseph Beaudoin lit a candle in memory of Anton Ohlidal*



Joseph A Beaudoin - June 01, 2023 at 12:43 PM

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“ *I knew Gerry from his attending Sacred Heart of Jesus Mass every Saturday night at 5:30. Since Gerry and I both service in Germany, we would talk about our service and our experiences in Europe. He was always very cheerful and I will truly miss seeing him at Saturday night Mass where I usher. God Bless Gerry.*

Joseph A Beaudoin - June 01, 2023 at 12:42 PM