



Edward James Cox

September 3, 1931 - January 11, 2020

Edward James Cox, 88, of Sanford, FL died at his home on Saturday, Jan. 11, 2020 after a long journey with Parkinson's Disease.

Born on September 3, 1931 in Augusta, GA to Mary Alice (Reardon) and T. Neal Cox, Edward was raised on Arcadia Plantation in Georgetown, SC where his father was horticulturist and property superintendent. Edward took full advantage of everything the picturesque setting had to offer which led to a passion for the outdoors. He was educated at Porter-Gaud Military Academy, Winyah High School, and spent four years as a medic in the U.S. Navy, visiting 'about half the world.'

He married Elizabeth Ann Rayner on October 21, 1978 in Evansville, IN where he was Vice President of Atlas Van Lines before retiring in 1981 and moving to Florida. Rather than full time relaxation, Edward became an executive for The Suddath Companies until his second retirement in 2006.

Edward and Betsy were enriched with many close friends through business and especially their boating community.

In addition to his wife, Edward is survived by a daughter, Bibi (Brian) Cox of Copenhagen, Denmark, sister, Alice Cox Harrelson of Georgetown, SC.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to The Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research ([michealjfox.org/donate](https://michaeljfox.org/donate)).

A celebration of Edward's extraordinary life will be held at The Lake Forest Clubhouse, 5350 Shoreline Circle, Sanford, FL 32771, on Sunday, January 19, 2020, from 1:00PM PM to 4:00PM

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JAN 19. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Lake Forest Clubhouse
5350 Shoreline Circle
Sanford, FL 32771

Tribute Wall

MW

“ Betsy, I was so sorry to hear of Ed's passing. Glenn & I enjoyed you both so much when we lived across from each other on Ridgewood. Glenn especially loved telling the story of Ed coming home from the hospital on snow/ice-caked roads after a surgery! Glenn passed away April 23, 2018. I will be praying for peace and comfort for you, Bibi and Ed's sister as you learn to live without him.

Mary Kay Wood

Mary Kay Wood - January 27, 2020 at 10:11 AM

HR

“ Mr. Cox hired me in July 1989 and he was the best boss a person could want. He was always fair, however he wanted the job done right. He always called me "HR". He will be missed by all who came in contact with him. My thoughts and prayers are with Betsy, Bibi and the rest of his family.

Helen Roten

Helen Roten - January 20, 2020 at 07:02 AM

CB

“ Mr. C is the one that hired me in this crazy business of relocations, back in 1998. He was a great man with a gentle heart. He was firm, but fair. The first couple times I heard "Cathie girl" from his office, I thought I was in trouble, but it was just his name for me. We found out later on that he loved "Laurie girl" and I sitting outside his office, unknown to us, he used to sit in there and laugh at us. I will always remember the fun we had back in those days. Rest in Peace Mr. Cox, you are loved and will be missed! Prayers to Betsy and the rest of your family!

Cathie Stearly Barcia - January 17, 2020 at 09:34 PM



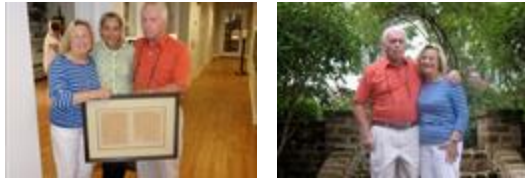
“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Edward James Cox.*



January 17, 2020 at 09:21 AM



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Brian Cox - January 16, 2020 at 12:28 AM



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HOWARD TEMANSON - January 15, 2020 at 10:17 AM



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HOWARD TEMANSON - January 15, 2020 at 10:07 AM

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“ ANYONE WHO KNEW MR. COX LIKE I DID KNEW HE LOVED MARILYN MONROE.



HOWARD TEMANSON - January 15, 2020 at 08:44 AM

JB

“ Betsy and Bibi, my heart goes out to you. Ed, and both of you were always great friends to the Bledsoe family.

James Bledsoe - January 14, 2020 at 07:29 PM



“ Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet was purchased for the family of Edward James Cox.



January 14, 2020 at 01:45 PM



“ Serenity Wreath was purchased for the family of Edward James Cox.



January 14, 2020 at 11:25 AM

LS

“ Mr. "C", hired me in 1996. He will always hold such a special place in my heart. I so admired and respected him. What I loved about him was he was tough, fair, had so much knowledge and had a great sense of humor. If you did your job and worked hard, that's all he expected. He was such a "Southern Gentleman". I have so many wonderful memories of him and the years we worked together. I will never forget him. My prayers go out to Betsy and his family. Laura Sellars

Laura Sellars - January 14, 2020 at 09:48 AM