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Robert Gillon



Gillon, Robert E.

Mr. Robert E. Gillon, 72 of Fairfield, passed away peacefully Friday, October 9, 2015 in St. Vincent's Hospital. He was born in New Haven to the late Frank Sr. and Grace (Heery) Gillon. Bob earned his Bachelor of Science in Geology from California Institute of Technology and a Master of Business Administration in Finance from The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania. He began his career at Phillips Petroleum in Tulsa, Oklahoma and retired as Sr. Vice President of IHS in Norwalk.

Bob was an avid reader with an interest in a wide range of subjects. His perceptions were enhanced by his global travel experiences which allowed him to pursue both his professional and academic interests. His broad knowledge and expertise gave him the opportunity to serve as a valuable mentor to young people entering the industry. His travels took him all over the world and left him with a particular fondness for Victoria Falls in Africa. Bob's reading combined with his travel experiences fueled his passion for stamp collecting. Bob was precise

in his thorough understanding of the historical and cultural significance of each item in the collection.

He loved nothing more than an unplanned trip in his convertible on the back roads of Connecticut, as well as being an avid New York Times crossword puzzle enthusiast. He also took great pride in tending to his garden.

Survivors include his two daughters, Deirdra Gillon-Drost of Chandler, AZ and Angela C. Gillon of Stamford and two granddaughters, Alexandra and Delaney Drost. He will also be missed by his brothers, Frank Gillon, Jr. and wife, Mary Ellen of Hamden and Tom Gillon and his wife, Sally of Trumbull.

Friends are invited to greet his family on Wednesday, October 14, 2015 from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. at Shaughnessey Banks Funeral Home, 50 Reef Rd., in Fairfield Center. The funeral service for Bob will begin at 6:00 p.m. Interment will be private.

Contributions may be made in Bob's name to: Swim Across the Sound, St. Vincent's Medical Center Foundation, 2800 Main St. Bridgeport, CT 06606. To send an online condolence, please visit www.shaughnesseybanks.com.

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