



Harry C. Morris

August 9, 1924 - March 14, 2021

Harry C. Morris, 96, of Crawfordville, died Sunday March 14, 2021 in Tallahassee. Mr. Morris was a retired English Professor at Florida State University since 1992 and was an United States Naval Air Corp Veteran Pilot and Flight Instructor. He enjoyed and was a Shakespeare Scholar and a published poet.

Survivors include his wife of 52 years Carol Morris, children Chris Morris and wife Susie & Leslie Hank and husband Bob, 3 grandchildren Nicole Morris, Summer Marie Stripling & Jeremy Walker and 2 great grandchildren Landon Lee Stripling & Skylar Marie Stripling.

Memorial Service will be at a later date.

Family Funeral Home at Harvey Young Chapel is assisting the Morris family.

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“ I owe Harry Morris a debt of gratitude for stepping in as director of my dissertation on Shakespeare in 1975 when my first director left FSU for a post at the Folger Library. He graciously saw me through the work with valuable advice and when it was completed he treated me to a visit to his home to see the parrots he kept there. I thank him for his guidance and kindness and wish the best to his family.
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Harry and His Ph.D. Student Mark Stevens at Mark's Graduation Party Dec. 1988

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“ As a graduate student at FSU in the 1980s, I took every course I could from Dr. Morris, despite the fact that many of my fellows avoided him because he was "too hard." True, he was demanding. I chose him to be my major professor, and he successfully guided me through my ambitious dissertation. "Mark, you'd better finish up. I'm starting to see gray in your mustache." He even took me out for a beer and invited me for dinner at his house after my defense, where I got to see his home study, "The Snuggery."

Harry prepared me well for my own career as an English Professor. Despite his gruff exterior, I found him to be a warm and encouraging mentor and am glad to see that he lived to a ripe old age. He always was a fitness buff, and I understand that he offered an A to any student who could beat him at racquet ball. I'm not aware that any student ever did.

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