



Alfred T Driscoll

November 26, 2021

Alfred Tatem Driscoll ("T"), 85, of Moorestown, NJ, passed away on November 26th, 2021 surrounded by his wife and four children.

Alfred T's parents were former New Jersey Governor Alfred Eastlack Driscoll and Antoinette Ware Tatem Driscoll. He was born October 14th, 1936 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He grew up in Haddonfield, NJ, graduated from Moorestown Friends School, and later University of Maine (Orono), where he majored in Engineering/Physics and minored in Electrical Engineering. In 1960, he joined the US Air Force. He served on numerous bases around the world, including in Thailand, Vietnam, Germany, Spain, and Alaska as an aircraft maintenance officer and finally squadron commander. One of his favorite assignments during his time in the Air Force involved accident investigation of aircraft bird strikes. He retired in 1982 with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel.

After retiring from the Air Force, Alfred T. spent a portion of each year working with a birding tour group on Attu, a remote Aleutian island, and helped make it possible for the birders to stay in the very primitive facilities of the former military outpost. An avid birder with an impressive life list, he travelled extensively throughout North America in search of rare birds. He served as the president of the San Bernardino, CA Audubon Society, was active in the Fort Walton Beach, FL Area Audubon Society, and later, the Delaware Valley Ornithological Club. He participated in the annual hawk-banding in Cape May, NJ for many years, as well as other birding and conservation efforts. Although

passionate about adding rare birds to his life list, the lifelong friends he made along the way were even more significant to him. He also enjoyed assisting his wife, Ann, and the Moorestown Garden Club, by building structures for the club's entries in the Philadelphia Flower Show.

Though Alfred T's career took him all over the world, he returned each summer to his family's rustic summer retreat in central Maine. His childhood experiences and escapades at the lake in Maine, especially with his cousins, were larger than life and shaped his future decisions and paths. Always an innovative problem solver, he was passionate about maintaining and improving the buildings and grounds of "The Boulders" as well as teaching his children and grandchildren to do the same to ensure that it would be well cared for and enjoyed by generations to come. Long before solar power was common, Alfred T. invented his own "solar system" for the camp along with a "water works" (pumping, filtration, and plumbing system); he devoted countless hours to making the camp efficient and comfortable for all. Alfred T. and Ann hosted the many friends they had made throughout their years in the military and through their hobbies, and thoroughly enjoyed spending time with the friends made locally, their immediate family and generations of extended family, including his cousins, nieces, and nephews. He was also active as president of the lake's community association for many years.

Alfred T. is survived by his wife of 61 years, Ann Theresa Hodum Driscoll, his brother, Peter Eastlack Driscoll, his brother-in-law, Charles Norman Hodum, and was predeceased by his sister, Patricia Ware Driscoll. He is also survived by his four children: Alfred Austin Driscoll, his wife Haley Coles Driscoll, and their sons Alfred Coles Driscoll and Robie McCammon Driscoll; Theresa Ann Driscoll Callahan, her husband Steven Xavier Callahan, and their children Savannah Driscoll Carole and Samuel Austin Martin, and Theresa's stepson Christopher Howell Martin; Suzanne Maria Driscoll, her partner, H. Royer Smith, her children, Sophia Driscoll Gamber, Olivia Driscoll Gamber, and Elijah Driscoll Gamber, and their father David Edward Gamber; Amy Driscoll Weinberger, her husband Keating James Weinberger, their children: Nicole

Marie Faries, her husband William Faries, and their son William (Liam) Faries; Jessica Antoinette Bourne, her husband Mark Jude Bourne Sr., and their children, Isalina Ann Bourne and Mark Jahmal Bourne Jr.; Thomas Peter Pilatsky II; Joshua Alexei Pilatsky; and Kyle Joon Weinberger.

Out of concern and care for the health and safety of all who wish to gather to celebrate Alfred T's life, the family is tentatively planning memorial services for late spring in New Jersey, and during the summer in Maine. Plans will be announced as they are made.

Cemetery Details

PRIVATE INTERMENT

Tribute Wall



“ Alfred T Driscoll

October 09, 2023 at 03:30 AM



“ Alfred T Driscoll

November 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM



“ Every time I saw him I got a hug. That wonderful laugh. Adorable smile. Was an honor to be apart of his world. Xoxo Annie



Annie Goettelmann - June 22, 2022 at 03:31 PM



Love this photo. Thanks!

Amy Weinberger - June 25, 2022 at 07:48 AM

PC

“ My family are summer residents of nearby Elliottsville and Monson. I hung out with "T" one summer and a later summer with his brother Pete. We shared many experiences walking the tracks, visiting each other's cottages, boating and swimming, hiking, etc. He was working for his Grandmother Tatem that summer. I can see the young "T" in the photos. Your father and husband was a gentleman. I'm not surprised at the wonderful life he lived. I loved reminiscing and looking at the family photos.

*Pat (Farnham) Russell Cole
Hampden ME*

Pat Farnham Cole - January 08, 2022 at 04:48 PM

AW

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Amy Driscoll Weinberger - December 12, 2021 at 09:31 AM

AW

“ 30 files added to the tribute wall



Amy Driscoll Weinberger - December 12, 2021 at 09:23 AM

DF

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Dino Fiabane - December 11, 2021 at 06:22 PM

DJ

“ *Our condolences and sympathy to Ann and the family.*

I first met Al after 1984 when he joined DVOC. During the following 3 1/2 decades we enjoyed many birding adventures together and with others. He loved to drive, I didn't-a perfect combination; without his drive to see rarities my bird-list would be much shorter. A chase to find a Common Redshank in Happy Adventure, Newfoundland in March 1999 is but one example. All the trips were enriched by Al relating his stories and experiences.

Special memories are trips where Ann joined Al-Puerto Rico (2002) and Belize (2005). I added a few photos which begs the question, did Al ever take the Attu hat off?

Al, we will miss you!!!

Don & Jayne Jones

don jones - December 10, 2021 at 01:01 PM

FW

“ *Al was a great guy, very easy going. For years, he was the fix-it guy for birders on Attu. I had several memorable wit him Don Jones and Tom Bailey*

Frank Windfeldeer - December 09, 2021 at 01:48 PM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Bob Berman - December 09, 2021 at 11:30 AM

AW

Thanks for this photo. Love it ❤️

Amy Driscoll Weinberger - December 12, 2021 at 09:25 AM



Fun to see this!

Suzannah Bird - December 15, 2021 at 03:04 PM

DJ

“ 5 files added to the album *Memories Album*



Don Jones - December 08, 2021 at 03:40 PM

DB

“ *Recalling fond memories of birding with Al on DVOC field trips. He shared a lot of knowledge and stories from many, many years of experience. Condolences to Al's family and loved ones.*

Debbie Beer - December 08, 2021 at 11:35 AM

TT

“ *T leaves a legacy of dedication to keeping Onawa the way he found it. His footprint will live forever.*

Tom Tomlin - December 07, 2021 at 09:17 PM

LW

“ *The Delaware Valley Ornithological Club will miss our friend and member. Sending our deepest condolences to Al's family. He will be missed.*

Linda Widdop - December 07, 2021 at 07:59 PM



“ *2 files added to the album Memories Album*



Suzannah Bird - December 07, 2021 at 11:45 AM

KF

“ *Our deep sympathy and sorry for the loss of an amazing neighbor. Always happy and so interesting to talk with and interested in others as well. We would see Al around our circle listening for birds and especially owls in the tall pines across from our home. Our hearts go out to the family and especially to Ann as we witnessed their loving relationship.*

The neighbors still remember their house party in the early nineties that introduced us to so many of our neighbors. I remember everyone being invited to a stay at the property in Maine.

What a remarkable man and we are grateful to have known him.

Whenever I hear the owls We will think of him. We will miss him for certain. 🦉

Karen and Jack Forrest

Karen Forrest - December 07, 2021 at 08:33 AM