



Baird C Foster

August 7, 2016

Baird Colville Foster , Jr., 77, on August 7, 2016 from head injuries sustained in a fall. Baird, of Moorestown, NJ, was the son of Baird C. Foster Sr. and Roberta (nee Hoffbauer). Beloved husband of 56 years to high school classmate Margo (nee Milling). Loving father to son Kyler Brooks Foster (Kimberly) of Moorestown and their children, Brooks Stevenson and Morgan Victoria; and to son Preston Cook Foster of Haddonfield and his twin sons, Adam Thomas and Samuel Baird. Brother to Richard E. (Phyllis) of Blackwood and Lawrie J. of Chestnut Hill, PA.

Baird was the great-great nephew and great-nephew of David Baird Sr. and Jr., respectively, both US Senators from NJ in the early 1900s. Baird Boulevard in Camden was named for David Baird Sr.

Baird grew up in Haddonfield, NJ and loved classical music. He was a percussionist at Haddonfield Memorial High School and helped to pay his way through Rutgers University in New Brunswick, NJ by playing drums in various bands. Upon graduation in 1960, Baird began employment at the family business, International Envelope Company in Philadelphia. Later he was involved in sales in the publishing industry at Lehigh/Rocappi in Pennsauken, NJ; and Auto-Graphics in Pomona, CA, from which he retired in 1995.

Soon after, he bought a 1962 Austin-Healey BJ7 convertible and became an enthusiastic and active member of the Austin-Healey Club of America, the Austin-Healey Sports & Touring Club, and the Healey Drivers Club (UK), receiving numerous service awards and recognitions from those clubs over

the years. The highlights of his Healey ownership occurred in 2000 and 2010 when he chauffeured Jenson Button (2009 Formula 1 World Champion) in the Parade des Pilotes (Drivers Parade) at the Formula 1 Grand Prix du Canada, Circuit Gilles Villeneuve, in Montreal.

Contributions in Baird's memory may be made to the Donald M. Healey Memorial Fund, c/o Beverly Sealand, 15 Ancient Hwy, Wethersfield, CT 06109-3929. The fund provides scholarships in the USA and England to students pursuing studies in the automotive field.

Following Baird's wishes, funeral services were private.

Cemetery Details

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Tribute Wall



“ *Baird C Foster*

October 09, 2023 at 03:30 AM



“ *Baird C Foster*

November 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM



“ *Dear Margo,
I am so sorry.
Sincerely,
Coles Roberts*

Coles Roberts - August 16, 2016 at 02:45 PM



“ *I was saddened to read of the loss of your loved one. I personally experienced the grief of losing my loved ones. However, there is comfort to know the Holy Scriptures gives the assurance that God will end death, pain and sorrow. Rev 21:3,4
I hope this brief Bible message brings comfort to you and your family.*

Williams Family - August 16, 2016 at 01:56 PM

GW

“ It was very sad day when I heard of Baird’s passing away as it was quite recently that we talked via phone. We both enjoyed writing letters in long hand, we became good friends because of his love of Austin Healey and my involvement with the Austin Healey Bonneville speed record racing team. Eventually we had the pleasure of meeting Baird and Margo in person in Philadelphia. They will always be our fondest memories.
Our sincere condolences and deepest respect
Gordon and Seta Whitby

Gordon and Seta Whitby - August 13, 2016 at 11:00 AM

FS

“ Margot, My heart hurts for you and your family. You lost a wonderful man. I remember that Steve and I had just moved into town when there was a sudden snowstorm. We woke to find Baird shoveling our sidewalk and driveway. When we thanked him, he said he was sure we had a lot to do to unpack, and he wanted to make our lives a little easier. It was such a kind gesture, and it set the tone for the rest of the time we spent as your neighbors! My best wishes to you at this saddest of times. Fredda Sacharow

Fredda Sacharow - August 11, 2016 at 01:18 PM

MK

“ Margo and family, Please accept my condolences on Baird's passing. It was only a few years ago when I last saw you and he at a ROCAPPI reunion. For around twenty years he was my mentor, task master, friend and associate who taught me many valuable business and life lessons. We worked closely together and one of last things he said to me evidenced his pride in the work our little enterprise accomplished. While I moved on after Donnelleys, I always carried his wisdom with me; I am grateful for the friendship he extended to me.

Maury Kane - August 11, 2016 at 11:13 AM

SG

“ I loved to see the twinkle in his eye and smile on his face when he was spending time with his grandsons, Sam and Adam ❤️

Sarah Ball Garino - August 11, 2016 at 07:08 AM

MM

Preston With deepest sympathy for the loss of your dad. I hope you and Sam and Adam and your mom and all of your family find comfort in all of the great memories you have.

maryann metlitz - August 12, 2016 at 10:01 AM

RH

“ Most sincere sympathies to Margo and family. He was a class act, a gentleman and a scholar. I will miss him . Roger Hamel.



Roger Hamel - August 10, 2016 at 03:57 PM

DH

“ 2 files added to the album New Album Name



Dave Hutchison - August 10, 2016 at 09:07 AM

MW

“ *Our prayers and thoughts are with you Margot & Family
A Prayer for Matgot and Family*

*God saw he was getting tired,
a cure was not to be,
so he put his arms around him and
whispered "Come with me."
With teary eyes we watched him fade away,
and though we loved him dearly
we could not make him stay
A golden heart has stopped beating
Hard working hands are at rest
God broke our hearts to prove
God only takes the best*

from Mell & Mike Ward AHC UK

Mell & Mike Ward - August 10, 2016 at 01:17 AM

EC

“ *Margo, please accept my sincere condolences. Baird was one of a
kind. I hope your happy memories sustain you in this difficult time.
Bissie (Jaques) Cianfrani*

Elizabeth (Bissie) Cianfrani - August 09, 2016 at 07:35 PM

BW

*Dear Margo...I was so sad to read about Baird's death...he was such a
fun loving guy, and many great memories fill my heart...I only hope
your heart will also be filled with wonderful and special memories.
....our love and sympathy to you and your children...Barb and Don
Walker (Zimmerman)*

Barbara walker - August 10, 2016 at 02:57 PM

AL

“ *Margo and Family,
Please accept our deepest sympathies for your loss.
Ann & Gilbert Langerhans*

Ann Langerhans - August 09, 2016 at 05:56 PM

JH

“ *Baird was a true gentleman and friend. His generosity and kindness will long be remembered in the Austin Healey community and by all others whom he touched. May his roads be sunny and bright while he drives a Healey into eternity.
John Heffron*

John Heffron - August 09, 2016 at 01:50 PM

JS

“ *So sorry to hear about Mr. Foster Moorestown will miss him driving his 62 red Austin Healey down it's roads! The only thing he loved more was his family.....I had the pleasure of working for him many times....he will be missed ... John Schultz*

john schultz - August 09, 2016 at 10:34 AM

KB

“ *Sending our deepest sympathy and prayers .
The Beam Family*

Kim Beam - August 08, 2016 at 12:30 PM

SM

We are so sorry to hear of your loss and remember you both as our former neighbors many years ago. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Sue and Lindsay Mitchell.

Suzanne Mitchell - August 09, 2016 at 02:06 PM

JN

Remember being on Student Council with Baird at Haddonfield Memorial High school. Baird was a wonderful drummer as well during those growing up years. Margo and Baird were such a cute young couple as well. Margo, please know so many of us are saddened by this sudden loss. Baird was an active member of our high school reunions for many years. May God give you comfort and know you are not alone. Joyce Jackson Nelso

Joyce Jackson Nelson - August 09, 2016 at 07:23 PM

DW

I was with Baird the time he first laid eyes on that red 1962 Austin Healey and I knew it was a marriage made in heaven. In the following years we were both badly bitten by the car bug. I watched as he became an authority and champion of the Healey Marque, and a good friend of the Healey family in Wales. But more than that, I will relate member Baird as a good and helpful friend and man of character.

Don Welsher

Don Welsher - August 09, 2016 at 08:10 PM

CS

Fond memories of you two back in the days at HMHS. Distance gets in the way of visiting but I've so appreciated the updates from Pierce which help remind me of those times. I am sorry for the traumatic loss of this lovely soul. My sincere condolences.

Carol (Scull) Stewart in Vermont

Carol (Scull) Stewart - August 10, 2016 at 11:02 AM

ES

Baird and I were classmates for many years and had good times together. Also we got together for lunch with others in the class on a regular schedule. I certainly will miss him.

Ed Schmauder

ed schmauder - August 10, 2016 at 11:43 AM

DK

So many great memories of Mr. Foster...some of them are him trying to be stern with us as kids ("young teenagers"), but always having to talk through that signature giant smile on his face. What a great smile! And, that deep laugh! I saw him outside in the driveway (at LEAST five years ago...) and I remember how he spoke so highly about his grandchildren and was just so proud of ALL of you! Between all of you AND the AH, he no doubt had all he ever wanted!

I wish everyone peace, all good thoughts and very happy memories, now and in the future. Love, Dolores and Family

Dolores Kelly - August 10, 2016 at 08:33 PM

MS

Our deepest condolences, while we drove by and waved periodically. We recognized a man who had a passion, a deep respect for art...maybe not art in the form of a painting, but art in the form of automobiles. As an Engineer, I understand that type of art. I know he will be missed in many, many other ways....and our heart felt prayers go out to all of you.

Mark & Lucinda Schneider

Mark Schneider - August 11, 2016 at 06:54 AM

AM

Margo and family let me offer my deepest condolences for your loss. Some years ago (58) I gave Baird his first ride in my 56 AH 100. Around the town we went arriving at the High School as they let out for the day. What a ride I gave him not knowing that I had awakened a giant. Lost touch with him for many years until my best man also an AH owner from Ca. arranged a dinner with you two in Merchantville. That's when I discovered the AH connection with him after all that time. I was bombarded with AH magazines that he had published as editor of the world wide community of AH owners. And what a beautiful AH he had with him in two years ago when at his HS reunion he gave me a ride around town in his car. What a blast that was. I have warm memories of our friendship.

Alan Mkitarian

Alan Mkitarian - August 15, 2016 at 07:07 PM

KK

Sorry to hear of Baird's passing. I worked for him at Rocappi for a number of years. I learned much from him. When I was working at the Courier, I was touched that he called me to say hi and congratulations on my career. He was a special person. I'm sure he will be missed by many.

Karen Kennedy-Hall

Karen Kennedy-Hall - August 17, 2016 at 08:39 PM