

## ALLISON RIPLEY MAXWELL, III

June 27, 1938 - January 18, 2021



Allison Ripley Maxwell, III, 82, of Longwood at Oakmont passed away on Monday January 18th, 2021. Rip was preceded in death by his beloved and loyal wife, Joan Thomas Maxwell. He was a loving father of Allison Newell Maxwell "Tiger" (Lisa), David Craighead Maxwell "Craig" (Julie) and Edward Ripley Maxwell "Ned". He was grandfather of many; and brother to David Spalding Maxwell, John Elliott Maxwell and Elisabeth "Beth" Maxwell Sturges. "Rip" was born June 27, 1938, in Pittsburgh, the son of Allison Ripley Maxwell, Jr. "Ally" and Jane Spalding Maxwell. He attended Shadyside

Academy, Tabor Academy and Dartmouth College (1961).

Rip enjoyed working in the Steel Industry for over 40 years most notably with Jones & Laughlin and eventually LTV/Copperweld.

Rip was a longtime member of Fox Chapel Golf Club. He received so much satisfaction from greeting friends/staff with outlandish comments. His dedication to leading the Shooting Group (skeet and trap) exemplified some of his fondest involvement at Fox Chapel.

Rip loved his Scottish ancestry. He often displayed the family tartan crest and was known to invite bagpipers to his parties. With a gin and tonic in hand, he was the life of the party. The annual Family Lamb Chop Night and Halloween were two of his favorite holidays. Parties often ended with a fireworks display, which meant it was time to go to bed or deal with local law enforcement.

He and "General Joanie" partnered for almost 60 years supporting their three children. Volunteering as the ice hockey team chaperone, he frequently had more

fun during road trips than the whole team! Known as "Pooh Bah" amongst his grandchildren, he had a great ability to genuinely connect with them. He gave animal crackers upon grandchildren's arrival and read the likes of Harry Potter so he could participate in cross-generational discussions. Rip loved watching James Bond movies and sharing his bag of York peppermint paddies with the kids. He loved the family pets, especially Patches. He convinced everyone or so he thought, that Patches was a special breed of dog called a Yugoslavian terrier, preferably spelled with a silent "J". Rip was quick to point out that Patches was unique with one eye brown and other blue, which made him very rare...all of which was completely manufactured by Rip's talent to entertain.

His lifelong passion for the Pittsburgh Steelers was hard to match. Rip will be buried with his terrible towel at St. Mary Catholic Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made in his name to the American Parkinson's Disease Association at [www.apdaparkinson.org](http://www.apdaparkinson.org). Gifts can be mailed to the American Parkinson Disease Association at PO Box 61420, Staten Island, NY 10305. Arrangements by BURKET-TRUBY FUNERAL HOME CREMATION & ALTERNATIVE SERVICES, INC., of Oakmont. Due to Covid, Friends and Family will be invited to a Celebration of Life at a later date this summer.

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