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Suffolk, VA

02.16.1936 - 11.24.2018

Birthplace: Virginia

Served in the : Army

Frederick MacDonald Quayle of Butler Avenue passed away in Sentara Obici Hospital with his family present after a short illness. Mr. Quayle was born in Suffolk, February 16, 1936, to the late Harold Quayle and Bernyce MacDonald Quayle. Mr. Quayle attended Suffolk public schools and graduated in 1954 from Suffolk High School, where he was elected president of the student government. He attended the University of Virginia, where he served as city editor of the Cavalier Daily student newspaper, was a member of the Jefferson Literary and Debating Society and the Phi Kappa Sigma social fraternity, played first-year lacrosse and graduated with a BA in economics in 1959. He graduated in 1966 from the T. C. Williams School of Law at the University of Richmond, where he was a staff member of the University of Richmond Law Review and a member of the McNeill Law Society. Upon graduation, he practiced law in Norfolk and Chesapeake for more than 40 years.

Mr. Quayle served in the Army Reserve from 1956 – 1962 and received an honorable discharge. He was president of the Suffolk Jaycees in 1964, president of the Friends of the Norfolk Public Library and chairman of the Tidewater Rehabilitation Institute Advisory Board.

Mr. Quayle later served as chairman of the Chesapeake Republican Party and chairman of the Chesapeake Electoral Board. He was an Eagle Scout and cubmaster of Cub Scout Pack 212 in Chesapeake, as well as an Honorary Lifetime Member of the Virginia PTA. He also served as a vestryman of Christ and St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Norfolk and later a vestryman of Trinity Episcopal Church in Portsmouth.

Mr. Quayle was a member of the Virginia State Bar and a former member of the Norfolk-Portsmouth Bar Association. He was appointed divorce commissioner by the Chesapeake Circuit Court, arbitrating matters of divorce, child custody and marital asset distribution. After retiring from the practice of law, he was employed as an assistant professor at Christopher Newport University in the Department of Government and Public Affairs from 2002 – 2005, and as a lecturer and adjunct assistant professor at Old Dominion University in the Department of Political Science and Geography from 2005 – 2011, lecturing on Virginia politics and government, and state and local government. He was appointed to the Virginia Parole Board by Governor Robert McDonnell and served from 2012 – 2014.

Mr. Quayle was elected to the Senate of Virginia as a Republican in 1991 and served for twenty years until his Senate district was relocated through redistricting in 2012. As state senator, he served as chairman of the Local Government Committee for seven years and was a member of the Finance Committee, as well as the Courts of Justice, Education and Health, and Rules Committees. He also was a member of the Board of Trustees of the Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation, chairman of the Board of Trustees of Chippokes Plantation Farm Foundation and chairman of the Chesapeake Bay Restoration Advisory Committee. He was a charter board member of the Hoffer Creek Wildlife Refuge in Portsmouth, an honorary board member of the Portsmouth Museums Foundation and a member of the Suffolk Rotary Club, where he was a Paul Harris Fellow. He was appointed to the Legislative Advisory Council of the Southern Regional Education Board.

During his service in the Senate of Virginia, he was selected as National Legislator of the Year by the National Child Support Enforcement Association for legislation he sponsored over a number of years to improve determination and collection of child support in Virginia.

The Chesapeake Bay Foundation twice named him Virginia Legislator of the Year for his authorship of the “Friend of the Chesapeake” license plate, which has raised millions of dollars in voluntary contributions for the education and cleanup of the Chesapeake Bay. He received a 1998 Lighthouse Award from the Elizabeth River Project and a 2006 Chesapeake Mayor’s Environmental Stewardship Award.

In addition, during his tenure in the Senate, he was named Legislator of the Year by the Virginia State Police Association, Treasurers’ Association of Virginia, Virginia Professional Firefighters, Suffolk Firefighters, Commissioner of the Revenue Association, and Virginia Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts.

He was a member of the Board of Directors of The Future of Hampton Roads, a member of the Board of Directors and Treasurer of the Paul D. Camp Community College Foundation and a member of the Board of Directors of the Suffolk Center for Cultural Arts.

Mr. Quayle was selected as Suffolk’s First Citizen for 2011 by the Suffolk Rotary Club and North Suffolk Rotary Club.

He loved sailing and spent many days and nights racing and cruising on the Chesapeake Bay. He and his wife Brenda enjoyed numerous vacations bare-boat sailing in the British Virgin Islands. He made one deep-water sailing trip from Norfolk to Newport, Rhode Island. He was an artist, working primarily in watercolors and mainly for the enjoyment of his family and himself. He occasionally carved duck decoys. He enjoyed all forms of woodworking, building furniture and toys for his children and grandchildren. Over a period of years, he built six homes as a general contractor, including a beach vacation home at Sandbridge and a mountain retreat in the Blue Ridge Mountains in Green County, Virginia. After graduating from law school and beginning his law practice in Norfolk, he played lacrosse with the Norfolk Lacrosse Club for one season. He was an avid reader, especially books relating to Thomas Jefferson. He was an admirer and amateur Jefferson scholar, and read and collected dozens of books about Thomas Jefferson. He was a member of the Board of Directors of the Thomas Jefferson Heritage Society and served as its secretary.

He is survived by his wife of 41 years, Brenda Lee Smith Quayle, and four children, Frederick MacDonald Quayle, Jr., and his wife Catherine Deakins Quayle, of Los Angeles, Calif., and granddaughter Vivienne Lucille Quayle and grandson Oliver Francis Quayle; daughter Catherine Stirling Quayle, of Brooklyn, N.Y.; son George Alexander Quayle and his wife Dr. Ann Marie Stanley Quayle, of Rockville, Md., and grandsons Frederick Brigman Quayle and Peter Alexander Quayle; and son Timothy Michael Quayle and his wife Lydia Catherine Kiesling, of San Francisco, Calif., and granddaughters Lydia Armstrong Quayle and Martha Ernestine Quayle. His brother Harold Quayle, Jr., and wife Martha Zimmerman Quayle also survive Mr. Quayle. His sister Cynthia Quayle Fuller and her husband Dr. Frederick William Fuller both preceded Mr. Quayle in death. Numerous nieces and nephews, their spouses and children also survive him.

His family would like to thank Dr. Kevin Wilson of Portsmouth for his excellent care of Senator Quayle for many years.

A Memorial service will be held on Saturday March 2, 2019 at 1:30 PM at Main St. United Methodist Church, 202 N Main St. Suffolk, VA.

A visitation will be held at R. W. Baker & Company Funeral Home, 509 W. Washington Street, Suffolk, on Tuesday, Nov. 27, 2018, from 6:30-8:30 P.M. Condolences may be offered at RWBakerFH.com.

Memorial donations may be made to the Children's Museum of Virginia in Portsmouth and the Chesapeake Bay Foundation.

Visitation

Start Time: Tuesday, November 27, 2018 -
06:30pm

End Time: Tuesday, November 27, 2018 -
08:30pm

R.W. Baker & Company Funeral Home
509 W Washington St
Suffolk, VA 23434
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