

JOSEPH FRANCES HOFFMAN

Following a courageous bout with cancer, our Classmate and good friend, Joe Hoffman, died at home with his family in Crofton, Md., on 27 November and was inurned at the Naval Academy Columbarium on 1 December 1993.

After a successful Naval Career, Joe retired in 1982 as a commander and joined Westinghouse as a Senior Engineer on the AWACS defense system project. Joe was a highly respected member of the Class and his community, as evidenced by the hundreds of friends who gathered for his wake on 29 November and for the very moving funeral Mass the following day at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church in Crofton. A number of Classmates, including Jim Knorr, Don Delude, Jim Duffy, Willie Wilson, Merf Moerachel, Skip Weeks, Willie Willenbacher, Cal Sutliff, Bob Walters and me, along with several spouses, attended the wake, Mass and funeral.

Joe leaves his widow, Patti of Crofton, MD, whom he married in 1965, and four wonderful children; a daughter, Lisa, and three sons, Joe III, Steve, and Chris USMA '97. We will miss Joe.

George Myers, 20th

Shipmate, January-February 1994