



Cummins Catherwood Jr.

November 9, 1942 - May 6, 2023

Cummins Catherwood, Jr., 80, passed away in the presence of loved ones Saturday, May 6. He is survived by his wife of 57 years, Susan Williams Catherwood. Born in Philadelphia on November 9, 1942, he was the son of Ellen Gowen Hood Catherwood and Cummins Catherwood of Haverford. He attended The Haverford School, Le Rosey School in Switzerland, and graduated from St. Georges School in Newport, R.I., then Stanford University and The University of Virginia with degrees in Hispanic American Studies and an MBA.

Cummins joined Morgan Guaranty Bank in New York City after graduation from The University of Virginia. After finishing the bank's training program, he joined Butcher & Sherrerd Investment firm in Philadelphia. After several years at Butcher, he joined colleagues to form the investment firm of Rutherford, Brown & Catherwood in Philadelphia. After his firm was bought, he joined Boenning & Scattergood in Conshohocken, from which he retired this year.

Cummins had a lifelong devotion to his clients, many of whom had been with him for decades and even generations of families. A recent note from a client, upon learning of his "retirement" read, "There are not enough 'thank you's' in the world to express my thanks for your handling of (3 generations) of accounts! You have so often saved all of us from a much less fortunate life."

Cummins was passionate about special-needs children and the multiple services they were afforded through The Easter Seal Society of Southeastern PA, where he served as Board Chair. He also served as the Chair of The Easter Seal Foundation and was a Board member of The Children's Seashore House. He served as the Board Chair of The Catherwood Foundation which was established by his father in 1949 and served on The American Red Cross Board in Philadelphia. He was an enthusiastic member, as was his father, of La Confrerie des Chevaliers du Tastevin, an international wine connoisseur's society. He excelled as a quiet but tenacious competitor in backgammon, loved to fish at the Bright Creek Club in the Poconos and in the West and loved to charter boats for cruises with his friends to far-off places.

Cummins was a charming and knowledgeable man with many friends and interests. His family, wife Susan, sons Daniel and Morgan, granddaughter Jade Lee Catherwood, sister Tucker Catherwood Gresh, brother George G.H. Coates and their families and his Maple Grove Farm family Robie and Gary Speed will deeply miss him and his generosity and expertise. He was devoted to his colleagues Lisa Schaub and Lou DePaul at Boenning & Scattergood.

A memorial service will be held at a later date. In Cummins' memory, please consider supporting a children's charity.

Tribute Wall



“ *Steve And Jane Mason lit a candle in memory of Cummins Catherwood Jr.*



Steve and Jane Mason - May 09, 2023 at 12:39 PM



Susan , I send you and your family my deepest sympathy. Cummins was so important to do many institutions and people he will be dearly missed. Warm regards, Pat McPherson

Pat McPherson - May 14, 2023 at 01:00 PM