



# Roy Donald Piercy

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## Obituary of Mr. Roy Donald Piercy

Mr. Roy Donald Piercy of Millsboro, DE passed away peacefully in the afternoon of Wednesday, June 23, 2021, with his family by his side at the Delaware Hospice Center. He was 92 years old.

Roy was born in a historical house along the railroad tracks in the small Appalachian town of Iron Gate, VA to the late Oscar and Jeanette Ballard Piercy. In addition to his parents, he is also preceded in death by his beloved wife Iris Howard Piercy, as well as his brother Harley Piercy. Roy led a long and wonderful life, living through the Great Depression in his youth and serving in the Army in World War II as a young adult. When he left the Army, he and his wife Iris became pioneers at the NSA, and Roy worked as a Crypto Analyst, Russian linguist, and ended his career as a Branch Chief over a group of Systems Analysts working on some of the world's first mainframe computers. Roy loved spending time with his family, whistling along to classic country music, creating architectural watercolor paintings, dropping a fishing line in the water along the riverbank, and telling stories of his childhood in the mountains.

Roy is survived by his three children, Donna Atsidis (and spouse Mary Zupanovic) of Pine Island, FL; Linda Mansker of Millsboro, DE; and Gary Piercy of Falls Church, VA. He also leaves behind three granddaughters whom he adored: Chrystina Mansker, Zoe Atsidis, and Lexy Atsidis, and niece Marcea Gore (Gerry) of Myrtle Beach, SC. Roy is loved and remembered by family friend and primary caregiver Imed Khomsi, as well as extended family members and friends.

A chapel service and full military honors will be held at 11:00 AM on Wednesday, June 30, 2021, at the Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery, located at 26669 Patriots Way, Millsboro, DE 19966.

In lieu of flowers the family suggests donations in Roy's memory to St. Jude's Children's Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.



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## Tribute Wall

**Roy Donald Piercy**



**Robert A. Byrd** lit a candle in honor of Roy.

Condolence and blessings to the family. Roy Don was my boss for approximately 3 years. He was my country guy. Taught me a lot about being a real nice person. Gonna miss that whistle. Bob Byrd

June 28 at 8:00 PM



**Anonymous** lit a candle in honor of Roy.

June 27 at 8:00 PM





## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Roy by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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