



Samuel Tucker Gay, Jr.

August 23, 1929 - May 26, 2017

"Tuck" Gay, son of Samuel Tucker Gay and Laura Louise Price Gay, was born and raised in St. Louis, Missouri. He attended and graduated from Westminster College with a BA degree in business administration. During his college years Tuck was a member of the varsity baseball team, the student government association and Delta Tau Delta fraternity for which he served as treasurer and chapter president.

After graduating Tuck was drafted into the US Army serving in the finance corps in El Paso, TX and Kaiserslautern, Germany.

Tuck began his business career with Laclede Steel Company as the district manager in Detroit, MI and Chicago, IL. In 1969 he changed careers and joined the Northern Trust Bank in Chicago, where he worked in trust and estate administration. In 1977, The Northern transferred Tuck to Sarasota, FL. He retired as Executive Vice President in 1994.

An avid hunter, fisherman, golfer and lover of baseball, Tuck's family was truly the love of his life. His happiest years were spent raising his three daughters in Glen Ellyn, IL. During their high school years Tuck was president of the Glenbard West Boosters Club, and was responsible for publishing a sports publication that is still in operation today and continues to be one of the most successful fundraising programs of the school.

During his business career in Sarasota, Tuck was very active in the community serving on the boards of Mote Marine, The National Council of Christians and Jews, The Estate Planning Council, The Ringling College Library Association, The Pines of Sarasota, and The Sarasota Memorial Hospital Foundation, serving as president in 1992.

Tuck is survived by his loving wife of 65 years, Jean Brenner Gay, daughters Becky Mahoney (Jay) of Sarasota, Kit Rohm of Newport Beach, CA, and Liz Pfisterer (Scott) of Hinsdale, IL ., eight grandchildren: Maggie Miekina (Dan), Abby Mahoney, Elizabeth Ley (Ryan), Katie De Graaf (Austin), Matt Rohm, Mac Pfisterer, Annie Pfisterer, Molly Pfisterer, and great granddaughter Amelia Ley. He was preceded in death by grandson John Tucker Mahoney. He also leaves behind numerous nieces, nephews, three sisters-in-law, a brother-in-law and many loving friends.

Tuck was the epitome of a true gentleman and will be remembered with love, respect and affection by all who knew him.

Funeral services will be held Friday, June 9, 2017 at The Church of The Redeemer at 11:30 am.

In lieu of flowers, the family would deeply appreciate donations in his memory to The Pines of Sarasota, The Sarasota Memorial Hospital Foundation or The Church of The Redeemer.

Tribute Wall



“ I was a fellow Delt at Westminster and Tuck was the best man at my wedding. We were great friends in our college days My sincere condolences to the family

Tom Williams MD

January 10, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ My sincere sympathy to Jean and Tucker's large family on the loss of this fine man. Tucker and I were two of the original officers at Northern's Sarasota location and spent two years together in the early years of that office. He was admired by all who knew him, including his co-workers, friends and clients. I still laugh at how the two of us struggled through our first round of Florida golf together, pulling our carts in the June Sarasota heat. He will be missed by all whose lives he touched.

Bruce Miner - June 02, 2017 at 12:00 AM