

## donald mosure stearns

September 2, 1926 - January 13, 2019

Donald Mosure Stearns, 92, departed life on January 13, 2019, in Lymington, England. Rachael White Stearns of Brockenhurst, his wife and companion of 48 years, was at his side.

> Don was born in Lima, Ohio to Otis and Wilma Stearns on September 2, 1926. He graduated from Otterbein College and received his law degree from Duke University. He then joined the Judge Advocate General's Corps of the United States Army. He had an extended career with the US Dept of State in London, serving as Legal Advisor to the Navy European Council and the Dept

Of Defense, and with retirement he chose to stay in London.

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> In addition to his wife, Don is survived by sons Christopher P. Stearns and daughter-in-law Kathryn of Dalton, GA, and Jonathan C. Stearns and daughter-in-law Lisa, and granddaughters Alessandra M. Stearns and Christina F. Stearns, all of New York, NY, and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, his brother Dean Stearns, and the mother of Christopher and Jonathan, Anne P. Minter of Douglas, GA.

> Donald Stearns lived a full and varied life. He truly enjoyed travelling and a lifetime study of history. He developed a keen love of sailing and enjoyed the opportunity to indulge friends and family with a journey on his boat, Firecrest. He and his wife Rachael shared a deep appreciation of the arts, particularly ballet and opera. Don was fascinated with genealogy and was a member of the Sons of the American Revolution. His love of good food and wine is legendary; and his life and accomplishments are deeply treasured by his family and friends.

> A private family service will be held in Lymington. Memorial donations, if desired, to the Glaucoma Research Foundation. <https://www.glaucoma.org>

**No Events Scheduled At This  
Time**