



## Herbert "Stokes" Walesby Jr.

September 19, 1927 - November 14, 2012

Herbert "Stokes" Walesby, Jr., age 85, of Wilmington, DE went home to be with the Lord on Wednesday, November 14, 2012. Stokes proudly served in the U.S. Army. He is best known in the Baltimore, Washington, D.C. area as the Art Director for the Hearst Newspaper 'Baltimore News American'. A talented artist, his drawings were distributed widely when he did the recruiting art work for the U.S. Navy in a pictorial art series of naval history; special features for National Geographic Magazine; and the National Syndicated Pictorial Biography of Musical Rock Groups for United Features Syndicate. Stokes did the original art work for the 2013 calendar for the USS John W. Brown, which will be released at the end of November. He studied at the Cochran Art School, American University, and with William Calfee in Washington, D.C. Stokes designed and painted the reserve chardonnay wine label for White Hall Vineyards in Charlottesville, VA and has displayed his art at the Vineyard's Annual Art Show. After his retirement, Stokes resided in Wilmington, DE. He developed a love of the water in his hometown on the Great Lakes of Michigan and pursued that interest while at sea with the Merchant Marine. His watercolors of boats and lighthouses reflect his keen interest in maritime history.

Stokes is survived by his loving wife of 12 years, Sylvia Kniel; daughter, Honor Amé Walesby; stepdaughter, Kali Kniel; grandchildren: Kristian, Ethan and Keira; and sister, Mary MacIntire.

Services and burial will be private. In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to

Project Liberty Ship, USS John W. Brown, [www.liberty-ship.com](http://www.liberty-ship.com). To express an online condolence, visit [www.strano-feeley.com](http://www.strano-feeley.com).

# Cemetery Details

**Private**

# Tribute Wall

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“ *To The Family,  
Please accept my condolence. I hope that you are able to draw comfort from the scriptures during this difficult time. Let me tell you my favorite Bible text. Job said: “If an able-bodied man dies can he live again ?”. You will call, and I myself shall answer you. For the work of your hands you will have a yearning.” (Job 14:14, 15).*

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